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Denver Mint

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EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., Jan'y 3,1905.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your salaries, wages and contingent expense .....accounts for the month ending November 30,1904 ,zzzz , with my approval .

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., January 3, 1905.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your institution be increased by a transfer of five hundred thousand ..... dollars ($ 500,000.00), in gold coin.... and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer U.S. at Denver, Colorado. Advice of credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

s.

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January 3,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury for settlement, a bill of the U.P. R.R. Company, for transportation of E.P. Leech, from Denver, to Philadelphia and return in November 1904, amounting to $92.75 payable from the appropriation for contingent expenses , mint at Denver, 1905.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B. s.

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR TRANSFER TO AND FROM BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., January 3, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum No. 74..... dated December 24th of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia Shipment No. 74 dated December 20th has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value found to be $ 101,006.54 charges $260.35 and net value $ 100,746.19 For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Pa., Loss $15.04.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR TRANSFER TO AND FROM BULLION FUND.

a.a.s

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., January 3,1905

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum No. 75..... dated December 24th of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia Shipment No. 75 dated December 20th.. has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value found to be $ 102,090.75 charges $228.95 and net value $101,861.80 For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Loss $0.60.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., January 4,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum No. 76 ..... dated December 27th of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia Shipment No. 76 dated December 23rd has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value found to be $ 107,577 89 charges $258.55 and net value $107,319.34 For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia. Gain $24.00 .

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR TRANSFER TO AND FROM BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

a.a.H.

Washington, D. C., January 4, 1905

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum No. 77..... dated December 27th of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia Shipment No. 77 dated December 23rd has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value found to be $ 102,220.11 charges $ 249.64 and net value $ 101,970.47 For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Loss $4.43.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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NOTICE OF INDORSEMENT AND RETURN OF CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., Jan. 4, 1905. ~~190~~

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 31st ultimo, Certificate of Deposit No. 1796 issued by the Colorado National Bank, for $ 359.84, being on account of D.M. Room grains and sweeps, has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.

personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury, as a miscellaneous receipt.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

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NOTICE OF INDORSEMENT AND RETURN OF CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., Jan. 4, 1905. ~~190--~~

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 31st ultimo, Certificate of Deposit No. 1797 issued by the Colorado National Bank, for $ 4,372.90, being on account of Melting, Assaying and Stamping Chgs., has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.

personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury, as a miscellaneous receipt.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

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NOTICE OF INDORSEMENT AND RETURN OF CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., Jan. 4, 1905. ~~190-~~.

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 31st ultimo, Certificate of Deposit No. 1798 issued by the Colorado National Bank, for $ 2.00, being on account of Special Assays, has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.

No personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury, as a miscellaneous receipt.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

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NOTICE OF INDORSEMENT AND RETURN OF CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., Jan. 4, 1905, ~~190-~~.

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 31st ultimo, Certificate of Deposit No. 1798 issued by the Colorado National Bank, for $ 2.00, being on account of Special Assays, has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.

No personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury, as a miscellaneous receipt.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

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Jan. 4,1905.

Frank M.Downer, Esq.,

Supt., Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bills in duplicate from Fairbanks, Morse & Co., in amount $500.00, for furnishing one ten ton wagon scale for your institution. I will thank you to have these bills receipted; after which you are authorized to pay same from the appropriation:- New Machinery and Appliances, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Jan. 4, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt., Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Peerless Rubber Manf. Co.

Herewith enclosed find receipted bills in duplicate, for furnishing and laying in place, at the U.S. Mint building, Denver, Colorado, 1143- 17/144 sq. ft. of rubber tiling, which bills you are authorized to pay from the appropriation:- New Machinery, Furniture and Appliances, Mint at Denver, after the amount of materials furnished has been checked at your institution.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., January 6,1905.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the month of December 31,1904..... , has been approved for the sum of $ 500.00 ..... , payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your mint during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	, 190 , $	
Wages of Workmen,	, 190 ,	
Contingent Expenses, Office Director of the Mint 1905.	,	$500.00
	, 190 ,	
Office Director of the Mint (Mining statistics) 1905	, 190 ,	

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

F.W.B. s.

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APPROVAL OF REQUISITION FOR FUNDS.

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Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., January 6, 1905

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the month of January 1905..... , has been approved for the sum of $ 4,400.00 , payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your mint during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	, 190 ,	$ 1,800.
Wages of Workmen,	, 190 ,	1,800
Contingent Expenses,	, 190 ,	800.
	, 190 ,	
	, 190 ,	

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

F.W.B. s

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January 6,1905.

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent,U.S.Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Assistant Secretary Miller of the Interior Department is very much interested in a friend of his who is now and has been for some years a resident of Denver, a Mr. Vinton, who seems to have been active in local Republican politics there. I cannot see that there will be opportunity for you to do anything for him unless you choose to give him the excepted position of Cashier, or unless he will take a Civil Service examination and make himself available for appointment within the classified service.

He has been informed that the matter is entirely in your hands. I enclose a memorandum of his business career.

Very truly yours,

Geo E Roberts
Director of the Mint.

(Enclosure)

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Jan. 6, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt., Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

I will thank you to inform me in regard to the sizes of moulds, used at your institution for moulding bullion that is to be used for storage or shipment.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR TRANSFER TO AND FROM BULLION FUND.

a.a.k.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., January 7, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. United States Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum No. 78 ..... dated January 3rd ..... of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia Shipment No. 78 dated December 29th has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value found to be $ 101,411.05 charges $234.74 and net value $ 101,173.31 For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Denver, Colorado. Gain $31.17.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR TRANSFER TO AND FROM BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT.

a.a.k.

Washington, D. C., January 7,1905

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum No. 79..... dated January 3rd of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia Shipment No. 79 dated December 29th has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value found to be $ 95,789.57 charges $210.11 and net value $ 95,579.46 For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Denver, Colorado. Gain $9.17.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Jan. 7, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt., Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Enclosed herewith find bill, in amount $270.56, from the Bryan-Marsh Co., New York City, for incandescent lamps furnished for the U.S. Mint at Denver. You are authorized to pay this bill from the appropriation:- New Machinery and Appliances, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Jan. 7, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Enclosed herewith find bill, in amount $39.01, from the Kendrick Book and Stationery Co., Denver, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation:- New Machinery, Furniture and Appliances, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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Jan. 7,1905.

Frank M.Downer, Esq.,

Supt., Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Enclosed herewith find bills, total amount of same being $67.54, from the Scott Supply & Tool Co., Denver, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation:- New Machinery and Appliances, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Jan. 7,1905.

Frank M.Downer, Esq.,

Supt., Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Enclosed herewith find bill, in amount $12.25, from the Western Electric Company, Denver, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation:- New Machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR TRANSFER TO AND FROM BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., January 9, 1905

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum No. 80.....dated January 4th of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 80 dated December 31st has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value found to be $56,885.36.....charges $128.59 and net value $56,756.77 For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Pa., Gain $27.80.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR TRANSFER TO AND FROM BULLION FUND.

a.a.f.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., January 9,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum No. 80½ ..... dated January 4th of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia Shipment No. 80½ dated December 31st has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value found to be $ 4,069.92 charges $ .....and net value $ 4,069.92 For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Pa., Gain $0.66.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

s

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Jan. 9, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt., Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Enclosed herewith find bill from the Waterbury Farrel Foundry & Machine Co., Waterbury, Conn., in amount $1375.00, which you are authorized to, pay from the appropriation:- New Machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Jan.9,1905.

Frank M.Downer, Esq.,

Supt., Mint United States,

Denver, Colordao.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bill from the Wilmarth & Morman Co., Grand Rapids, in amount $215.00, for furnishing a drill grinder, which bill you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Jan. 9, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt., Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Enclosed herewith find bill from the Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co., Pittsburg, Pa., in amount $1550.00, for furnishing one 45 K.W. motor-generator set for your institution, which bill you are authorized to pay from the appropriation:- New Machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Jan. 9,1905.

Frank M.Downer, Esq.,

Supt., Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Enclosed herewith find bill from S.Faith & Co., Phila., Pa. in amount $104.00, for work performed at your institution, which bill you are authorized to pay from the appropriation:- New Machinery and Appliances, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Jan. 16, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt., Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Enclosed herewith find bill from the General Fireproofing Company, Youngstown, Ohio, in amount $480.00, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation:- New Machinery, Furniture and Appliances, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Jan. 12,1905.

Frank M.Downer, Esq.,
Supt., Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Enclosed herewith find bill from the Alberene Stone Co., in amount $90.00, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for New Machinery and Appliances, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Jan. 12, 1905.

Frank H. Downer, Esq.,
Supt., Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Enclosed herewith find bill from James Clark, Jr. & Co., in amount $315.00, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation:- New Machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C. January 14, 1905.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your institution be increased by a transfer of five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000.00), in gold coin and that the same be placed to your credit with the Asst. Treasurer U. S. at Chicago, Illinois. Advice of credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

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January 17,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I enclose herewith the accounts of Messrs Faith and Company for furnishing firemen to operate boilers for your mint, from November 15th. to December 31st. together with their bills for coal supplied, amounting in the aggregate to $378.77 which sum you are authorized to pay from the appropriation New Machinery, Mint Denver, Colorado.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint. s.

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January 19,1905.

Superintendent,U.S.Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Herewith is enclosed a substitute for Section 18 of the printed Instructions and Regulations which has been approved by the Secretary of the Treasury. It is now in force and will hereafter govern your institution in the matter of holidays.

The working force of your institution must be required to be on duty during the regular working hours of every day in the year except as provided in this Regulation.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., January 23, 1905.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your institution be increased by a transfer of five hundred thousand ..... dollars ($ 500,000.00), in gold coin and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer U.S at Chicago, Illinois. Advice of credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

s.

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January 23,1905.

F. M. Downer Esq.,
Superintendent,U.S.Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Referring to your recommendation that Mr. Healy be transferred permanently to Denver at an early day I have to say that I have detained Mr. Healy here to complete the estimate for and additional appropriation required for the equipment. I shall want him within reach until this appropriation is disposed of. He has gone to Denver now where I think he can probably get matters into shape to run until he is ready to go there permanently about March 1st.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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January 23,1905

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent,U.S.Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Replying to your communication of the 19th relative to the application of George M. Hill of the Machinery Department for permission to do certain work out of his regular hours in installing wardrobe lockers in the Mint for the contractors, I have to say that I see no objection to his performing this work under your observation. Of course this permission must not be an excuse for neglecting any of his regular duties.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT.

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Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., January 24, 1905.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your salaries, wages contingent and new machinery expense accounts for the month ..... ending December 31..... 1904, with my approval.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F. M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

F.W.B. s.

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January 25,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I transmit herewith for payment the account of Messrs. S. Faith and Company receipted in duplicate for the sum of $8,142.40 being the amount due on contract for mechanical equipment, and payable from appropriation for new machinery mint Denver, Colorado. You will please remit your check on the assistant treasurer United States New York to Messrs. Faith and Company.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint. s.

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EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 26, 1905.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your Bullion accounts XXX XXX from Oct. 14th, ending December 31, 1904, ~~-190-~~, with my approval.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

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EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., Jan'y 26, 1905

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your new machinery expense..... accounts for the month ..... ending December 31.....1904 , with my approval.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

F.W.B.

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January 27,1905

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent,U.S.Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 20th instant relative to the melting charge to be imposed on deposits, I have to say that the melting charge for each melt shall be one dollar (Revised table of charges, January 2,1900),no matter how large or small the melt may be.

The deposits of the American Smelting & Ref'g. Company at the New York Assay Office show that they deposit the bars comprising a melt from each of their refineries separately, and the charge on each deposit, when they contain no silver, are a melting, alloy,and toughening charge. These are all the charges the law requires and all that can be made on such deposits.

It does not appear that the charge of $1.00 is insufficient to cover the cost of any melt that can be put into one crucible. If in your opinion it is, I would be pleased to hear from you to that effect.

Very truly yours,
Geo. E. Roberts
Director of the Mint.

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January 28,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I transmit herewith for payment, the account of Messrs. S. Faith and Company, receipted in duplicate, for furnishing firemen to operate boilers of your mint from January first to January 15,1905, and for coal used, amounting in the aggregate to $220.20.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

enc. Director of the Mint. s.

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January 31,1905.

five hundred thousand .....

500,000.00 in gold coin.....

Assistant Treasurer United States at Chicago, Illinois. Advice of credit to be given by wire.

Geo E Roberts

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. United States Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

S.

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February 1,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

The agents of the Youngstown Firepproofing Company, the contractors for the lockers for your mint, desire that Mr. G. M. Hill be permitted to put them up after office hours. There does not appear to be any objection to allowing this to be done, providing no Government material is used in the work.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint. s.

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February 1,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

On invoice returned by you of stationery shipped you on November 16,1904, and which you certify as having received December 8,1904, you note two exceptions, viz.-

1 ream paper for hektograph and mimeograph,
½ dozen inkstands, glass, 1½ inch, metal cover.

The stationery division adds a note stating that these articles were not included in the regular shipment but sent by mail December 12,1904.

If you have received these articles please certify to the fact as your receipt must be attached to bill before payment can be made.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

F.W.B. Director of the Mint. s.

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Feb. 2, 1905.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

As the procedure to be followed in the removal of employes within the classified service for cause does not seem to be in all cases clearly understood, attention is again invited to Department Circular No. 105, herewith enclosed.

Very truly yours,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

(Enclosure)

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February 2,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be advanced you from the appropriation for new machinery, mint at Denver, the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000.) the same to be placed to your credit with the assistant treasurer United States at New York.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W. B. s.

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February 2,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury, for settlement, a bill of the Revenue Cutter Service, for two (2) National Ensigns in August 24,1904, amounting to $14 .40 payable from the appropriation for contingent expenses mint at Denver, 1905.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint. S.

F.W.B.

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February 2,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

Referring to your letter of the 12th of December,1904, relating to the books and blank forms for use in your mint, I would call your attention to the following record books which can be abolished by substituting an index card system.-

Register of employes.
Register of signatures of depositors.
Record of authority for persons to sign for banks, mining companies, etc.
Record of the receipt of bullion by express and mail.
Record of letters received.

Before ordering books of the Public Printer, I would like to have your opinion on this subject.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint. s.

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February 2, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I transmit herewith for payment the account of Henry Troemner, receipted in duplicate, for one special five (5) foot balance and weights, also for two three foot (3) balances and weights, amounting in the aggregate to $2,861.00. These balances and weights were all manufactured under contract now on file in the office of the Auditor for the Treasury, and provides for the delivery at your mint, free of all charges. Upon receipt of the balances, if found to be in good order, you will remit a check to Mr. Troemner, on the assistant treasurer of the United States at New York.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint. S.

enc.

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Feb. 3, 1905

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I gather from a number of incidents that have occurred that there is some friction among Mr. Healy's subordinates in your institution. My experience in such affairs has convinced me that it is destructive of discipline and efficiency in any department to encourage or allow subordinates to feel that they can, at will, go round their Chief to his Superior, or disregard his authority. You must recognize and uphold the authority of the Superintendent of Machinery or you practically relieve him of his proper responsibilities and assume them yourself. At the Philadelphia Mint we have gone through some such an experience and believing as I have in the competency of the Superintendent of Machinery, I have insisted that the Superintendent should not go over his head to deal with subordinates. I think the same course should be pursued at Denver. So far I think Mr. Healy has justified the belief that he is competent to manage his department. If you are not satisfied that he is, it may be well to have a conference with a view to getting somebody else in his place, but so long as he is Superintendent of Machinery I would respect his authority, uphold him in the position and give no encouragement to his subordinates who appeal from his orders.

In the matter of Mr. Hill's compensation; if Hill is to be given authority over other men I think his pay should at least be slightly higher than theirs. It is difficult to establish authority among work-

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men without some superiority in pay.

I think you had better have a frank conference with Mr. Healy and if you are satisfied to have him remain as Superintendent of Machinery, assure him of your confidence and allow him to have his way in the selection of subordinates. Of course this does not mean that you should relinquish authority over that department, but that you should deal with and through its head, and support him unless there are serious reasons for overruling him. Better support him in minor matters even if he is wrong, than destroy his influence with his force.

From what I saw of Mr. Hill when here I thought very well of him. If there is any inharmonious element in Mr. Healy's force, efficiency will be promoted by getting rid of it.

Very truly yours,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Feb. 4, 1905.

F. M. Downer Esq.,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Replying to your communication relative to the application of Mr. Oscar Hinrichs for the place of Assistant Custodian of the Mint building, I would say that there is no regular practice by which the duties of the Custodian are performed. The law makes the Superintendent of the Mint the custodian of the building and he may assign the actual duties as he sees fit, either by the appointment of an Assistant Custodian or by the division of the duties among other subordinates. At the San Francisco Mint the assistant custodian is Captain of the Watch, sleeps in the building, and has entire charge of all the guards and also of the janitor force. In the Philadelphia Mint the Chief Clerk is designated as assistant custodian and has general supervision of the building, although the actual duties are distributed to other subordinates. There are two Captains of the Watch, the Chief Doorkeeper and a Superintendent over the force of laborers and charwomen. Many of the duties properly assignable to the assistant custodian also fall naturally within the department of the Superintendent of Machinery. There is no objection to your designating Mr. Hinrichs

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as Assistant Custodian but the position does not carry any regular salary and the appropriation at your command at present will not allow of any increase of salary. I think it is too early to determine precisely what duties it would be advisable to assign to an Assistant Custodian of your institution. It will doubtless be more satisfactory to you to make such assignment later when more familiar with the management of the institution.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Form No. 187 B.
Ed. 2 24 1902 500.—8 x 10½.

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., February 8, 1905.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your institution be increased by a transfer of one million ..... dollars ($1,000,000.00), lawful money ..... and that the same be placed to your credit with the Denver National and Colorado National Banks, Denver, Colorado.

Respectfully,

A. A. Wotten

Acting Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

s.

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Form No. 187 B.
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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., February 8, 1905.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your institution be increased by a transfer of five hundred thousand ..... dollars ($ 500,000.00), in gold coin and that the same be placed to your credit with the asst. treasurer U.S. at Chicago, Illinois. Advice of credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

A B Roston

Acting Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

s.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE,
FORM No. 8812.
Ed. July 1904 1,000.—8 x 10½.

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NOTICE OF INDORSEMENT AND RETURN OF CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., Feb. 8, 1905, ~~190~~.

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 31st ultimo, Certificate of Deposit No. 1821 issued by the Colorado National Bank, for $ 50.00, being on account of Sale of old Mint material, has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.

No personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury, as a miscellaneous receipt.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Denver, Colo.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8807.
Ed. May 9 04 500.—8 x 10½.

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APPROVAL OF REQUISITION FOR FUNDS.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., February 9, 1905.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the month of February 1905..... has been approved for the sum of $ 3,700.00..... , payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your mint ..... during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	, 1905,	$ 1,700.00
Wages of Workmen,	, 1905,	1,500.00
Contingent Expenses,	, 1905,	500.00
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Respectfully,

R. B. Roberts

Acting Director of the Mint.

Frank H. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

T.W.B.

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February 10,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I enclose herewith the account of S. Faith and Company receipted in triplicate for furnishing firemen to operate boilers and for coal supplied at your Mint from January 16th to 31,1905, inclusive, amounting to $364.75 which if found correct, you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery.

Respectfully,

A. Piatt Andrew

Acting Director of the Mint.

enc. S.

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February 13, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I transmit herewith letter of authority authorizing Mr. Jos. W. Nilsom, Melter and Refiner of your institution to visit Washington and Philadelphia which I will thank you to deliver with the accompanying orders for railway transportation.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

S.

enc.

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February 13,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

In reply to your letter of the 6th instant, I would state that before ordering index and guide cards from the Public Printer, I would like to be informed on the following points.

The number of employes likely to be on the pay-rolls of your mint on July 1st. next.

The average number of signatures of depositors per year.

The average number of persons authorized to sign for firms, banks, etc., per year.

The average number of packages of bullion received by express, and the average number received by mail per year.

The average number of letters received per year?

Attention is invited to the enclosed circular dated July 24, 1902.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint. s.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

ERE WRITTEN:

Washington, Feb.14,1905

Superintendent,U.S.Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Think best Seigel should retire; use your judgment about removing him or accepting his resignation.

Geo E Roberts

Director,Mint.

Freight. Telegs. etc.

FICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
2—4258 The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
STOCK FORM 1758 S.
DIV. P. AND S.

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Feb. 15, 1905

Hon. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith the application of Charles E. Dawson, formerly of Denver, for a clerical position in the Denver Mint; likewise the personal endorsement of Captain John F. Linscott of this city.

Please give Mr. Dawson's application your consideration.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

(Enclosure)

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 187 B.
Ed. 2 24 1902 500.—5 x 10½.

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., February 17, 1905

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your institution be increased by a transfer of five hundred thousand ..... dollars ($ 500,000.00.....), in gold coin..... and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the Chicago, Illinois. Advice of credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

A. P. Pratton

Acting Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

S.

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R.A.V.

February 18,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

Hereafter extra sheets will accompany all record books received from the Public Printer. On on side of them will be found a description required by that official. This sheet, however, will not be accepted as a sample but will be retained in your office and used only as a guide in preparing copy for future books. No deviation will be permitted from established forms.

It is suggested that you file the descriptive sheets, as well as samples of blank forms, in regular order of numbers, for ready reference.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint. s.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE,
Form No. 111.
Ed. 1 9 1902 1,000.—8 x 10½.

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EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., Feb'y 21, 1905.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your salaries, wagesm and contingent expense ..... accounts for the month ..... ending January 31, , 1905, with my approval, except as shown by letter of to-day.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

F W.B. s.

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February 21,1905

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

Your letter of the 15th instant enclosing letters from representatives of the Grand Army relative to striking certain souvenir medals for the National Encampment which meets in your city September next has been received.

In reply you are respectfully informed that by law the striking of medals is limited to the Mint of the U. S. at Philadelphia.

The letters forwarded by you are returned herewith.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint. s.

enc.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington, February 21,1905

TO

Superintendent Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

You have over-paid Faith and Company on equipment contract three hundred seventy-four dollars and forty cents, see voucher eight and twenty-two January account. Amount paid Niles voucher three carried into abstract as ninety-nine dollars should be four hundred and twe nty-four dollars.

Director Mint.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR freight, telegrams, etc.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

STOCK FORM 1758 B.
DIV. P. AND S.

2—4258

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February 21,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

A disallowance of $0.99 has been recommended in your contingent expense account for January 1905, being part of voucher # 38, bill of Postal Telegraph Cable Company, for telegrams sent to the Director of the Mint under dates of December 9th and 31,1904. As these telegrams relate to the production of the precious metals they cannot be paid for from this appropriation. In order that you contingent appropriation may be reimbursed, the Auditor for the Treasury has been requested to state an account in your favor, for the above amount ($0.99) to be debited to the appropriation for contingent expenses office Director of the Mint 1905, and credited to the appropriation for contingent expenses mint at Denver, 1905.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

P.W.B. s.

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February 23,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Superintendent Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

The formal approval by the Secretary of the Treasury of the bond recently executed by you will be made on the first proximo, and become effective from and after that date, at which time your commission will be delivered to you.

Under a ruling by the Comptroller of the Treasury it is required that your accounts under the bond now in force be settled and closed on the 28th instant. You will deposit all unexpended balances of appropriations in your hands at the close of business on that date as a repayment to the credit to the appropriations to which they pertain. You will also deposit to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States in general account, as transfer of funds, the balance to your credit with the Depositary Banks at Denver, and the Assistant Treasurer at Chicago on account of the bullion fund.

The charges collected by you on deposits from January first to February 28th will also be deposited. The alloy charge will be deposited as a miscellaneous receipt, and charges for

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melting, parting and refining, toughening and bar charge to the credit of the appropriation for parting and refining bullion. As it is impracticable to transfer to the Treasury the bullion you have on hand, it is necessary that the value be determined. It will, therefore, be weighed and the value calculated from the Assayer's report of the fineness by representatives of this Bureau, who are scheduled to arrive at Denver on the 26th instant.

To close your bullion accounts under the bond now in force, you will receipt, in duplicate, to Frank M. Downer, Superintendent of the U.S. Mint, Denver, Colorado, for the value of the gold and silver bullion with which he is chargable, under the present bond, and now transferred to his account under the bond approved by the Secretary of the Treasury March 1, 1905. This receipt should specify the number of bars, ounces of gold contained and value of the same, and also of silver at the price paid. For the balance to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer at Chicago, you may forward your check to that officer, with instructions to deposit the same to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States in general account as a transfer of funds.

On the first proximo, transfers will be made to you on account of the bullion fund, under the new bond and amounts placed to your credit at the Depositary Banks at Denver, and with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Chicago, by wire.

To weigh and determine the value of the bullion you have on hand, Messrs. F.W. Braddock, and A.A. Hassan will perform this

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service on behalf of the Department, and certify, in triplicate, the results of their findings; the original to be filed with your bullion accounts for the period from January 1st to February 28, 1905.

I have prepared, and transmit herewith the form of receipt to be given by you for the transfer of the value of the bullion from your accounts under the present bond to that under the new bond, with the certificate of the representatives of this Bureau as to the value of the bullion in your custody February 28, 1905.

The National Security Company have been notified to have a representative present.

You will please afford the representatives of this Bureau and of the above named company every facility for the performance of the duties assigned them.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint. s.

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MINT OF THE UNITED STATES at Denver, Colorado,
Superintendent's office,
March 1,1905.

RECEIVED of Frank M. Downer, Superintendent Mint U.S. at Denver, Colorado, ...bars of unparted bullion, containing ..... ounces of standard gold of the value of $.....and ..... ounces of standard silver of a cost value of $..... making the total value of the bullion for which I am held accountable, under my bond approved October 15,1904 $.....now transferred and for which I am to be held accountable under bond approved by the Secretary of the Treasury March 1,1905.

(Signed) Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent.

WE HEREBY certify that we weighed.....bars of unparted bullion in the custody of Frank M. Downer, Superintendent Mint United States at Denver, Colorado, February 28,1905, and from the reports of the assayer of their gold and silver contents found said bars to contain.....ounces of standard gold of the value of $ ..... and .....standard ounces of silver of the value of $.....making a total of $.....as the value of the bullion for which said Downer is acountable,under his bond approved October 15,1904.

Signed .....

Signed .....
Representing Treasury Department

Signed.....
Representing National Security Co.,

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington, February 24, 1905

Superintendent Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Have authorized Hodgson by wire to-day to visit Washington and Philadelphia on official business.

Geo E Roberts

Director Mint.

FFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR freight, telegrams, etc. S.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
2—4258
STOCK FORM 1758 B.
DIV. P. AND S.

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February 24,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

Referring to your letter of the 13th instant relative to plating trees and shrubbery on the mint premises I will thank you to submit an estimate of the probable cost. The letter of Mr. George J. Braun enclosed by you is returned herewith.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Enc.

S.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington, February 27,1905.

TO

Superintendent Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Notify agent of National Surety Company when weighing of bullion will commence.

Geo E Roberts

Director Mint.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR freight, telegrams, etc. S
2—4258 The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. STOCK FORM 1756 S. DIV. P. AND S.

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Feb. 28, 1905.

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

It appearing that the rule against political activity on the part of employes in the classified service has heretofore been directed more particularly against service at the head of such committees or as the solicitor of campaign funds, you are now directed to notify all employes in your institution that service as members of any political committee or active participation in partisan politics will not be permitted.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 550 B—8 x 10½
Ed. 8 6 1901 J. O. O.

NOTICE OF INDORSEMENT AND RETURN OF CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

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Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., March 1, 1905, *190*

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 25th ultimo, *Certificate of Deposit No.* 1841 *issued by* Colorado National Bank of Denver, Colorado *for $* 111.40 *being on account of* Contingent Expenses, Office Director of the Mint *has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.*

personal credit to be given you in your statistical *accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury* as a repayment to the credit of the appropriations for contingent expenses office Director of the Mint 1905.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint

S.

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March 2,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

Your letter of the 21st ultimo,enclosing proposal of Mr. H. Williams to attend and care for the lawn of the mint, furnishing tools, etc., for fifty dollars ($50.00) per month from April 1st to November 1,1905 has been received, and you are authorized to accept the offer of Mr. Williams.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint. s.

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Form No. 187 B.
(Rev 12-2-26—300)
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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., March 2,1905.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your institution be increased by a transfer of five hundred thousand ..... dollars ($ 500,000.00), in gold coin..... and that the same be placed to your credit with the assistant treasurer U.S. at Chicago Illinois, advise of credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

s.

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Form No. 1871B
Revised 1903

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., March 6,1905

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your institution be increased by a transfer of One million---------- dollars ($ 1,000,000.-), in gold coin and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer U.S.at Chicago advice of credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Superintendent,U.S.Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

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Form No. 8807.
Ed. May 8 04 500.—8 x 10½.

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APPROVAL OF REQUISITION FOR FUNDS.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., March 6, 1905

Frank M. Downer Esq.,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the month of March.- , , has been approved for the sum of $ 46,800. , payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	, 1905 ,	$ 3,000.
Wages of Workmen,	, 1905 ,	3,000.
Contingent Expenses,	, 1905 ,	800.
† New Machinery.	, 190 ,	40,000.
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Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

† $15,000 at Denver.
† $25,000 at New York.

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NOTICE OF INDORSEMENT AND RETURN OF CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., March 7, 1905, ~~190~~

Mr. F. M. Downer,

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Denver, Colo.

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 28th ultimo, *Certificate of Deposit No.* 1843 *issued by* the Colorado National Bank, Denver, *for $* 1,091.13 *being on account of* Salaries, Denver Mint, *has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.*

personal credit to be given you in your Salary *accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury* as a repayment to the credit of appropriation for Salaries, Mint at Denver, 1905.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., March 7, 1905., ~~190..~~

Mr. F. M. Downer,

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Denver, Colo.

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 28th ultimo, *Certificate of Deposit No.* 1844 *issued by* the Colorado National Bank, Denver, *for $* 992.10 *being on account of* ..... *has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.*

..... personal credit to be given you in your Wages of Workmen *..... accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury* as a repayment to the credit of appropriation for Wages of Workmen, Mint at Denver, 1905.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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NOTICE OF INDORSEMENT AND RETURN OF CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., March 7, 1905., ~~190~~

Mr. F. M. Downer,

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Denver, Colo.

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 28th ultimo, *Certificate of Deposit No.* 1845 *issued by* the Colorado National Bank, Denver, *for $* 781.33 *being on account of* Contingent Expenses *has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.*

personal credit to be given you in your Contingent Expense *accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury* as a repayment to the credit of appropriation for Contingent Expenses, Mint at Denver, 1905.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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NOTICE OF INDORSEMENT AND RETURN OF CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., March 7, 1905. ~~, 190~~

Mr. F. M. Downer,

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Denver, Colo.

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 28th ultimo, *Certificate of Deposit No.* 1846 *issued by* the Colorado National Bank, Denver, *for $* 6,092.20 *being on account of* Parting and Refining Charges, *has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.*

personal credit to be given you in your Bullion *accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury* "to the credit of appropriation for Parting and Refining Bullion".

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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NOTICE OF INDORSEMENT AND RETURN OF CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., March 7, 1905. ~~, 190~~

Mr. F. M. Downer,

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Denver, Colo.

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 28th ultimo, *Certificate of Deposit No.* 1847 *issued by* the Colorado National Bank, Denver, *for $* 436.18 *being on account of* Alloy Charges, *has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.*

personal credit to be given you in your Bullion *accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury* as a miscellaneous receipt.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., March 7, 1905. ~~, 190~~

Mr. F. M. Downer,

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Denver, Colo.

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 28th ultimo, *Certificate of Deposit No.* 1848 *issued by* the Colorado National Bank, Denver, *for $* 713.58 *being on account of* Melting Charges, *has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.*

personal credit to be given you in your Bullion *accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury* "to the credit of appropriation for Parting and Refining Bullion".

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., March 7, 1905. ~~190~~.

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 28th ultimo, Certificate of Deposit No. 1850 issued by the Colorado National Bank, for $ 6.00, being on account of Bullion Assays, has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.

No personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury, as a miscellaneous receipt.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Mr. F. M. Downer,

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Denver, Colo.

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NOTICE OF INDORSEMENT AND RETURN OF CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., March 7, 1905. ~~, 190~~

Mr. F. M. Downer,

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Denver, Colo.

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 28th ultimo, *Certificate of Deposit No.* 1851 *issued by* The Colorado National Bank, Denver, *for* $ 6,693.57 *being on account of* New Machinery *has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.*

..... personal credit to be given you in your New Machinery *..... accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury* as a repayment to the credit of appropriation for New Machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., March 7, 1905. ~~190~~

Mr. F. M. Downer,

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Denver, Colo.

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 28th ultimo, *Certificate of Deposit No.* 8551 *issued by* Asst. Treasurer, U.S. at New York City, *for $* 16,484.56 *being on account of* New Machinery, Denver Mint, *has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.*

personal credit to be given you in your New Machinery *accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury* as a repayment to the credit of appropriation for New Machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully, Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., March 9, 1905.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your institution be increased by a transfer of One million dollars ($ 1,000,000.00) in lawful money and that the same be placed to your credit with the Colorado National and Denver National Banks of Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

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March 9,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt., U.S.Mint, Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bills, in amount $100.02, from the Scott Supply & Tool Co., Denver, Colorado, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery, mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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March 10,1905.

Frank M.Downer, Esq.,

Superintendent, U.S.Mint, Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bills, in amount $797.50, from F.O.Browne, Denver, Colorado, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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March 10,1905.

Frank M.Downer, Esq.,

Supt., U.S.Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bills, in amount $14.15, from the Western Electric Co., Denver, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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RECEIPT OF ACCOUNTS.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,
Washington, D. C., March 13, 1905.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Bullion Account, Abstracts and Vouchers, for the period, January 1st ending February 28th, 1905.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts
Director of the Mint.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

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March 13,1905

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I inclose herewith the account of S. Faith & Company for furnishing firemen to operate boilers of your mint, and also for coal supplied from February 1st. to February 28,1905, amounting to $448.83, which is payable from your appropriation for new machinery. Faith and Company desire the check remitted to their Philadelphia address, # 2427 Pennsylvania Avenue.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

enc. Director of the Mint. s

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March 13, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt., U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bill, in amount $612.00, from Baxter D. Whitney & Son, Winchendon, Mass., which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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March 15, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt., Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bill, in amount $566.25, from the A.W. Harris Oil Co., Providence, R.I., which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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March 17, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt., Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bill, in amount $195.00, from the Doten-Dunton Desk Co., Boston, Mass., which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery and appliances, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

A. Ebenston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 17, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt., Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bill, in amount $5.70, from the Vulcan Sheet Metal Co., Denver, Colorado, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

R. B. Ringston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 18,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir,-

I enclose herewith the account of The Mitchell Vance Company receipted in duplicate, for the balance due on account of contract for lighting fixtures for your mint, as certified by the Supervising Architect viz.- $1,449.50 which sum you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

s

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Yafs.

March 20, 1905.

Mr. F. M. Downer,

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Denver, Colo.

Sir:-

I return herewith your Bullion Accounts for the period January and February, 1905, for correction as indicated in pencil.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

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Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., March 21, 1905.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your institution be increased by a transfer of one million dollars ..... dollars ($ 1,000,000.00), in gold coin..... and that the same be placed to your credit with the assistant treasurer of the United States at Chicago, Illinois. Advice of credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

s

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March 21,1905

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I enclose herewith blank form of bond to be executed by Grant L. Hudson, clerk in your mint. Please cause the same to be executed and forward as early as practicable.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

S.

enc.

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EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT

Washington, D. C., March 22, 1905

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ Statistical expense .....accounts for the month ..... ending December 31 , 1904 , with my approval except as shown by letter of to-day.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

F.W.B. s.

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EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., March 22, 1905

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your salaries, wages and contingent expense..... accounts for the month ..... ending February 28....., 1905 , with my approval.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F. M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint U.S.
Denver, Colorado.

F.W B.

S.

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March 22,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

A suspension of sixty dollars ($60.00) has been recommended in your mining statistics expense account for February 1905, being voucher #1 in expense accounts of J.T.Carnahan and L.M. Nance, amount paid Denver and Rio Grande Ry., for two one thousand mile tickets. If these tickets were entirely used up it will be necessary to so certify, but if any portion of either ticket remains unused, it will be necessary for you to have the unused portion redeemed and the amount deposited in the Treasury to the credit of the appropriation "contingent Expenses, Office Director of the Mint 1905(Mining Statistics)."

Kindly give this matter your early attention.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint. s.

F.W.B.

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March 23, 1905

Frank M. Downer Esq.,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Healy and Mr. Whitehead have agreed upon the following named persons whom they desire to have transferred from the Mint at Philadelphia to the Denver Mint, transfer to take effect May 1, 1905:

General Department.

John E. McClintock, Carpenter at four dollars per day.
Thomas Charlton, Machinist, to be Foreman of Machine Shop at five dollars per day.

Melter & Refiner's Department.

Benno P. Wirth, to be Foreman of Refinery at six dollars per day.
George B. Bean, to be Foreman of Make-up Room at five dollars per day.

They also ask the temporary appointment of Daniel C. McGreal, at $4.50 per day, as Lead Burner, pending the establishment of an eligible register. Will you please have the necessary steps taken looking to these transfers and the appointments at the above named date.

In this connection I suggest that you go carefully over your available funds including the $5,000 deficiency appropriation and see if it is not now practicable to change Messrs. Healy, Hill, and Leizear to the regular rolls and to have Mr. Whitehead regularly appointed as Assistant Melter and Refiner, and Mr. Bowen as Assistant Assayer.

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It is desirable to have all these men paid from the regular appropriation if you have money enough to last until July 1; otherwise the funds will lapse and we have none too much in the equipment fund at best. If practicable to do so have the change made April first. We want Mr. Bowen's successor here to begin at that time.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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March 24, 1905.

Mr. F. M. Downer,

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Denver, Colo.

Sir:-

I enclose herewith the duplicate Certificate of Deposit for the amount deposited by the Superintendent of the Philadelphia Mint to your credit, as per Treasurer's letter, for gains in charges and on bullion shipments, as taken up in your last bullion accounts.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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March 24, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt., Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Enclosed herewith find two master keys, to fit 24 bullion deposit boxes that have been shipped from shop of Henry Troemner, Phila., Pa., for use in the deposit weigh and deposit melting rooms. The method of procedure that is recommended to be followed is that the foremen of each of the above mentioned rooms be supplied with a master key. Each of the master keys will open any of the 24 boxes. The foreman of the weigh room places the deposit in a box and locks box, then sends box to the deposit melting room, where the foreman of that room, who has the second key, unlocks box and melts the deposit. This method of transfering material will place the responsibility on the foremen of the rooms in question, and will prevent any discussion as to what the boxes contain when they leave the deposit weigh room.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT

Washington, D. C., March 25,1905

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your new machinery expense ..... accounts for the month ..... ending February 28....., 1905, with my approval.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. U.S.Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

F.W.B.

s.

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March ~~21~~ 25, 1905.

Frank M.Downer, Esq.,

Supt., Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bill, in amount $1125.00, from the Brown & Sharpe Mfg. Co., Providence, R.I., which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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March 27,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury, for settlement, a bill of the Chicago,Rock Island and Pacific R.R. Company for freight on one (1) box of assay office supplies from New York City to Denver, Colorado, amounting to $1.50 payable from from the appropriation for "contingent expenses mint at Denver 1905".

Duplicate bill and bill of lading herewith.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B. s.

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March 27,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I have this day requested Mr. W. H. Hills, Chief Clerk Representative Treasury Department, Louisiana Purchase Exposition, St.Louis, to ship to your institution, the gas machine used at the Treasury exhibit, St.Louis, manufactured by the American Gas Furnace Company.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

s.

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March 28, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

You are authorized to pay from the appropriation new machinery mint at Denver, the within bill of D. K. Benedict amounting to $6.50 for hauling machinery from depot to mint building, Denver, in January 1905.

Respectfully,

A. B. Preston

Acting Director of the mint.

S.

F.W.B.

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March 28,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

You are authorized to pay from the appropriation for "contingent expenses mint at Denver, 1905" the inclosed bill of D. R. Benedict amounting to $2.80 drayage from depot to Mint building in Denver in December 1904.

Respectfully,

A. B. Coates

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.W B.

s.

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March 28,1905.

Frank M.Downer, Esq.,

Supt., Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bill, in amount $578.30, from John Gregor, Denver, Colorado, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machineryand appliances, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

R B Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 28,1905.

Frank M.Downer, Esq.,

Supt., Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bill, in amount $21.18, from theSafety-Armorite Conduit Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery and appliances, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

A. B. Bruton

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 28, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury, for settlement, a bill of the stationery division, Treasury Department, for stationery shipped you on November 16, 1904, amounting as rendered to $157.04, payable from the appropriation for "contingent expenses mint at Denver, 1905."

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

s.

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March 29, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt., Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bill, in amount $147.50, from Elof Saloen, Denver, Colorado, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery and appliances, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

A. A. Boston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 29, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt., Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

It is desired that a chemical analysis be made of the artesian well water taken from the well at your institution and for that reason you are directed and authorized to ship four gallons of the water in question to this office. I will thank you to procure two two gallon jugs, wash the jugs thoroughly, fill them with well water taken from the well tank, cork jugs with new corks, cut corks flush with necks of jugs and seal with sealing wax.

The jugs should be carefully boxed and packed to prevent breakage and sent express prepaid to this office.

Respectfully,

A. P. Bates

Acting Director of the Mint.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington, March 30, 1905.

Frank M. Downer,

Supt. Mint, Denver, Colorado

Wire today dimensions showing height, width, depth, inside of fire-alarm and watchmens clock wall boxes.

A. D. Preston

Acting Director of Mint.

FICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR freight, telegrams, etc.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

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STOCK FORM 1758 B.
DIV. S., P., AND B.

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March 30, 1905.

enc.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

As recommended in your letter of the 14th instant, you are respectfully authorized to accept the proposal of Geo. J. Braun, for planting trees and shrubbery on the mint premises for the sum of $106.50, the amount to be paid from your appropriation for contingent expenses.

I return herewith the proposal of Mr. Braun with the request that when rendering your accounts you will attach the same to the vouchers, as the Auditor for the Treasury will require the same before allowing the expense.

Respectfully,

A. P. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington, March 31, 1905.

To

Superintendent Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

From and after the first proximo pay for silver contained in gold deposits at rate of fifty cents per ~~xxxx~~ standard ounce until further notice.

Acting Director Mint.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR freight, telegrams, etc. $.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
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EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., March 31, 1905.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your Bullion accounts for the Period, January ~~xxxxx~~ and February, 1905, ~~100~~, with my approval.

Respectfully,

A. P. Bratton

Acting Director of the Mint.

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

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March 31,1905

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

Inclosed herewith are traveling expense vouchers of Messrs Milsom and Hodgson, amounting, in the aggregate to $257.24 which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for New Machinery mint at Denver, Colorado.

Respectfully,

A. Piatt Andrew

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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March 31,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

You are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery mint at Denver, Colorado, the enclosed bills of Edwin Harrington sons and Company and U. S. Gutta Percha Paint Company, amounting to $226.00 and $6.75 respectively.

Respectfully,

R. B. Johnson

Acting Director of the Mint.

s.

F.W.B.

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April 3, 1905

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have written today to the Denver Gas & Electric Company advising the General Manager that the rate he has quoted for gas which with all discounts, figures out about 72 cents per thousand cubic feet, is not satisfactory. He may confer with you upon the subject. We will be glad to adopt the city gas for fuel purposes if a sufficiently low rate can be obtained but the Gas Company should consider that the Mint will be a very large consumer, probably its largest customer, and make a rate accordingly. We ought not at the most pay more than sixty cents per thousand cubic feet and the Gas Company will make plenty of money at fifty cents.

Mr. Milsom has made a formal report recommending the use of city gas. If the Company is aware of this fact it may stiffen its attitude in negotiations. Please confer with Mr. Milsom on the subject and work together to secure the lowest proposition that can be obtained. The time has arrived when we must determine the fuel to be used and I would like to have the Gas Company's final proposition at the earliest possible date.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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April 3,1905

Frank M. Downer,Esq.,
Superintendent,U.S.Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have your letter of March 31st relative to the appointment of Mr. Baldwin of the New York Assay Office as Assistant Coiner of the Denver Mint. Mr. Baldwin is the most competent person I know of in the mint service to take this responsible position. I think it very desirable to have him appointed. When the coiner is appointed I shall authorize him to come East and have him meet Mr. Baldwin, and meantime will take the subject up with the latter. I hope to gain his consent to go to Denver, and if he goes that department of the mint will be in good hands.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint

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April 3,1905

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent,U.S.Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of March 31st relative to the proposal of the Denver Union Water Company, I would say that the proposals are not at all satisfactory. In my judgment the supply from that source should be cut off as soon as the Superintendent of Machinery gives assurance that the power and pumping plant of the Mint can be depended upon to furnish a supply of water from our own wells. This I understand will be at an early day. It is not advisable to break with the Water Company until the Mint is able to take care of itself. You can deal with the situation accordingly.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint

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April 3,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

In reply to your letter of the 30th ultimo, you are respectfully informed that no action was taken by Congress at the last session authorizing the sale of old mint premises.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

s.

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NOTICE OF INDORSEMENT AND RETURN OF CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., April 4,1905.~~190~~

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 31st ultimo, Certificate of Deposit No. 1869 issued by The Colorado National Bank for $ 276.78, being on account of Alloy charges, has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.

personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury, as a miscellaneous receipt.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

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NOTICE OF INDORSEMENT AND RETURN OF CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., April 4,1905. ~~100~~

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 31st ultimo, Certificate of Deposit No. 1870 issued by The Colorado National Bank for $ 2.00, being on account of Special assays, has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.

No personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury, as a miscellaneous receipt.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

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NOTICE OF INDORSEMENT AND RETURN OF CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., April 4, 1905. ~~100~~

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 31st ultimo, Certificate of Deposit No. 1871 issued by The Colorado National Bank for $ 3,854.07, being on account of Parting & Refining charges, has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.

personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury, "to the credit of appropriation for Parting & Refining Bullion".

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

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April 4, 1905

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Referring to your communication of March 27th relative to an additional melter for the Deposit Melting Room, I have to say that another appointment if submitted will be confirmed. I would suggest, however, that the arrangement of wages for melters at New York and San Francisco is from $4 to $5 and at Philadelphia from $3.75 to $5, depending upon term of service and skill. It would be well to adopt the same plan in your institution and this is the time to do it.

Very truly yours,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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April 4,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

You are authorized to pay, from the appropriation for "new machinery mint at Denver" the enclosed bill of Robt. L. Whitehead amounting to $29.98, traveling expenses Philadelphia, Pa., to Washington, D.C., and return March 22-28,1905.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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April 4, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I enclose herewith for payment from the appropriation new machinery, the account of Ed. A. Hollis for wrenches and switches purchased for machinery being built at the U.S. Mint Philadelphia for your institution, amounting to $9.25 which sum you are authorized to pay by check on New York.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

s.

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April 4, 1905

F. M. Downer Esq.,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have your communication of March 30th relative to authority to erect three new assay balances. Mr. Healy tells me that he has already sent the shipping number of the boxes containing "No. 04 Special" and I presume Mr. Hodgson has that one unboxed. If there is pressing need for it he may proceed to erect it. The usual policy in buying these delicate balances is to contract for them set up by the manufacturer in order to avoid all possible dispute, if they are in any respect unsatisfactory. In this case the manufacturer's charge for setting them up was so high that it was determined to send the scale adjuster from the Philadelphia Mint to set these up and I think it would be better to pursue this plan.

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint.

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Ed. May 9 04 500.—8 x 10½.

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APPROVAL OF REQUISITION FOR FUNDS.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., April 5, 1905.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the month of April 1905..... , has been approved for the sum of $ 4,400....., payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your mint during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	, 1905,	$ 1,800.
Wages of Workmen,	, 1905 ,	2,100.
Contingent Expenses,	, 1905,	500.
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Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

S.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

F.W.B.

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April 5,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

Referring to my letter of the 23rd ultimo, relative to the payment of Mr. Healy and others from the regular appropriation, I have, after reflection, decided to continue to pay all those heretofore paid from the appropriation for new machinery, from that appropriation until the 1st of July next.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

s.

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April 6,1905.

Frank M.Downer, Esq.,

Supt., Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bill, in amount $52.96, from B.F.Sweeney Denver, Colorado, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery and appliances, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., April 7,1905.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your institution be increased by a transfer of one million ..... dollars ($ 1,000,000.00), in gold coin..... and that the same be placed to your credit with the assistant treasurer United States at Chicago, Illinois. Advice of credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

s

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April 7, 1905.

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of April 3rd upon the subject of safes purchased for the assay department I would say that the first consideration the subject had at this office was when it was brought up by Mr. Hodgson after his trip to the Philadelphia Mint and his observation of the safes supplied to the assay department there. It was concluded to make an effort to have the Supervising Architect supply these safes from his appropriation for "Locks and Safes in Public Buildings" and thus avoid drawing on the Denver mint appropriation. The Supervising Architect assented to the plan and has purchased the safes which you have received. No other safes have been purchased or at present are contemplated.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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April 8, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

Your accounts of new machinery and ordinary expenses for March 1905 have been received. These accounts were enclosed in Manila envelopes and when received at this Bureau were in bad shape. You will please avoid using these envelopes for transmitting mail matter in the future as they are of inferior quality and cannot stand the rough handling subject to transmittal.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

s.

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April 8,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I enclose herewith account of S. Faith and Company for furnishing firemen to operate boilers of your mint during the month of March 1905, and also for coal supplied, amounting in the aggregate to $399.06 which sum you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint. s.

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April 10, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I noticed that you did not call for a large size copying press and large size copy books on your recent requisition.

It has been the practice in the coinage mints and New York Assay Office to make press copies of the abstract sheets composing part of the bullion accounts. If this was an oversight I would suggest that you forward an additional requisition covering the above.

The samples of twine and clips have been lost and you are requested to furnish other samples.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

S.

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RECEIPT OF ACCOUNTS.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,
Washington, D. C., April 11, 1905.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Bullion Account, Abstracts and Vouchers, for the Month ending March 31, 1905.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

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April 12, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

Your letter relative to the appointment of adjuster of scales has been received. If you will furnish me the full name of the person recommended by you for temporary appointment, I will endeavor to obtain the consent of the Civil Service Commission to the appointment, subject to an examination to be held hereafter.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

s.

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EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., April 12, 1905.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your salaries, wages and contingent expense accounts ... accounts for the month ..... ending March 31....., 1905, with my approval.

Respectfully,

R. B. Preston
acting Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

F.W.B.

s.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington, April 13, 1905.

Superintendent, U.S.Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Are fire-alarm and watchmans wall boxes in accordance with Architects drawing relative to removal of entire top, wire to-day.

R. E. Preston

Acting Director Mint.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.

freight, telegrams, etc.,

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR.....
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

STOCK FORM 1758 B.
DIV. S., P., AND B.

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EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT.

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Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C. April 14, 1905

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your new machinery expense .....accounts for the month ending March 31 ....., 1905, with my approval.

Respectfully,

A. B. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

F.W.B.

s

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April 15,1905

Superintendent,Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I forward you by express today a package containing glass ware etc. for the Assay Department of the Laboratory of your Mint. Please have the same turned over to Mr. Bowen in order that he may arrange the same properly. The express charges are payable from your appropriation, new Machinery.

Respectfully,

R O Preston

Acting Director of the Mint

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April 17, 1906

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of recent date and enclosing one dated April 7th from Mr. Sullivan, Secretary of the Denver Gas and Electric Company, making a quotation of $0.6408 per thousand cubic feet on gas furnished the Mint, I beg to say that the amount of gas consumed in the Philadelphia Mint for the last three months has been as follows:

January, 1905	2,046,600	cubic feet.
February, 1905	1,728,600	" "
March, 1905	1,900,600	" "

This gas was made in the Mint at a cost of approximately fifty-two cents per thousand cubic feet. The San Francisco Mint used in the month of January, 1905, 1,555,400 cu. ft. These are the only figures which I find for the San Francisco Mint but the monthly consumption there probably averages about the same as for January. In San Francisco we buy the gas from one of the local companies on a contract price of sixty cents per thousand cubic feet. It is impossible to closely estimate what the consumption of gas by your institution will be. It depends of course upon the amount of bullion received. I am disposed to think, however, that the estimate of one million cubic feet per month is considerably too high and certainly so for the first year. We will not undertake to guarantee the consumption of

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any specific amount.

The gas machine used in the government exhibit at the St. Louis Fair has been shipped to Denver and is available for use at inconsiderable expense. I am of the opinion, however, that if the Gas Company will enter into a contract for one year to supply gas at sixty cents per thousand cubic feet you will be warranted in accepting the proposal.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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April 18, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I enclose herewith authority of the Secretary of the Treasury for you to advertise in the "Republican" and "Post" of your city for general supplies that will be required by your institution during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1906.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

enc.

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April 19,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bill, in amount $32.45 from Mountain Electric Company, Denver, Colorado, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery and appliances, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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, April 19,1905.

Frank M. Downer,Esq.,
Superintendent, U.S.Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Find enclosed herewith, bill from the Mountain Electric Co., Denver, Colorado, in amount $17.70, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery and appliances, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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April 19, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt., Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bill, in amount $5.20 from General Electric Company, Denver, Colorado, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new Machinery and Appliances, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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April 19,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir,-

Referring to your letter of the 7th instant you are authorized to solicit bids for the necessary furniture for the office of the coiner of your mint. The furniture to be in keeping with that heretofore furnished for the Melter and refiner and assayer's rooms. You will submit the proposals received by you to this Bureau for approval, with such recommendations as you may think proper to make.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

s.

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., April 19, 1905

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your institution be increased by a transfer of one million ..... dollars ($ 1,000,000.00), in lawful money and that the same be placed to your credit with the Colorado National and Denver National Banks Denver, Colorado.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

s.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington, April 21,1905

TO

Superintendent,Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Referring to my letter of seventeenth make no contract for gas until you have communicated with me further.

Geo E Roberts

Director,Mint/

Freight, Telegs. etc.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

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STOCK FORM 1748 R. DIV. R AND B.

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April 22, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for settlement a bill of the Stationery Division, Treasury Department, for two thousand envelopes (Assay) shipped to you on March 3, 1905, amounting to $19.97, payable from the appropriation for "Contingent Expenses, Mint at Denver, 1905."

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint

F.W.B.

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April 24, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I transmit herewith blanks for bond to be executed by Harry Tarbell, as coiner of your mint, which I will thank you to deliver to him with instructions to execute and forward with out delay.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

s.

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EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT

Washington, D. C., April 25,1905.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your Bullion accounts for the Month ending March 31, 1905 ,~~189~~ , with my approval.

Respectfully,

A. B. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,
Washington, D. C., April 25, 1905.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your institution be increased by a transfer of one million..... dollars ($1,000,000.00), in gold coin.....and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer U.S. at Chicago, Illinois. Advice of credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

s.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

ERE WRITTEN:

Washington, April 25,1905

Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, Mint, Denver, Colorado.

Have written you fully today on the subject of gas contract. Have forwarded Tarbell's bond for execution.

Geo E Roberts

Director, Mint.

Freight, Telegs. etc.

FICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR.....
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

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STOCK FORM 1759 B.
DIV. P. AND S.

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April 25, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your telegram of the 24th relative to amended proposal on gas by the local company has been received and considered. Heretofore I have considered the alternative to the use of illuminating gas to be the manufacture of naptha gas on the premises. I have considered about sixty cents per thousand cubic feet for the local gas as an equivalent, all things considered, to the cost of naptha gas. Since my last letter to you, however, Dr. Tuttle has formally requested permission to install one melting furnace in his department for the use of crude oil. It appears that crude oil has recently been exclusively installed in the works of the Gorham Manufacturing Company at Providence and in several other similar establishments, with marked economy. Dr. Tuttle has heretofore been antagonistic to the introduction of oil but his desire to make the test indicates that his opinions have been undergoing some change. In view of these facts I have determined to have the new furnaces to be installed at Denver designed for the use of either oil or gas. This can be done by providing for an alteration in the burners. We can proceed with the installation of these furnaces while the test of oil in the Philadelphia Mint is going on but I deem it inadvisable meantime to tie ourselves up to the use of gas. If the experiments at Philadelphia are not entirely satisfactory

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we can then enter into the contract with the Gas Company. I presume it will still be willing to grant the terms now proposed. If not we still have the alternative of fitting up our own plant.

Very truly yours,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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April 27,1905

Hon. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 20th instant in which you speak of your lack of information concerning the progress being made with the mint equipment and make several suggestions as to the machinery department. The situation there has been somewhat complicated by the fact that we have the organization of a coinage mint without having a mint ready for coinage operations. All possibility of such confusion and misunderstanding might have been averted by delaying the reorganization of the Denver institution and the occupancy of the new building until all necessary preparations for starting the mint had been completed. I was of the opinion, however, that sufficient advantages could be obtained by having the Superintendent on the ground to supervise the preparations and advise this Bureau of conditions, to warrant the appointment last year and I am confident that with patience and good humor we shall come through the minor difficulties incident to a temporary division of authority.

Mr. Healy has been working under the immediate direction of this Bureau. All the principal contracts for equipment are with parties located in the East, it has been necessary for Mr. Healy to make frequent visits of inspection to the shops, and his location here has been, up to this time, the more convenient for him. He is now absent

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on what I believe is the final trip of inspection from which he will return in the course of a week and very soon thereafter will depart for Denver and remain permanently. He has been expecting to go to Denver about the middle of May. Mr. Healy had already suggested to me the termination of the contract under which Faith & Company are operating the boilers but in view of the warning from the Supervising Architect as to the importance of having firemen experienced with boilers of this type, I considered it a part of prudence to allow the present contract to continue until Mr. Healy can be there and personally assume the responsibility of their supervision. The time is but short now and the saving that would be effected would be inconsiderable and I am not disposed to incur any risk of injury to the boilers.

I note what you say about the large amount of bullion now in the vaults and the desirability of having some method of lighting the building other than by lanterns. This state of things doubtless does occasion some inconvenience and it was evidently an error to stop the bullion shipments to Philadelphia at so early a date. I am confident that the bullion is secure but if there is any question about it, we will have it transferred to Philadelphia.

Mr. Healy has been working here on the specifications and contracts and I believe has kept in close communication with his subordinates at Denver. That he has not communicated more frequently with you is doubtless due to an oversight and the pressure upon him. Mr. Whitehead has been in frequent conference with him and I feel sure that the result of their labors will be a very satisfactory equipment. I believe that the equipment will be ready to go in by the time the repaired floors are ready to receive it.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint

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April 27, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir,-

I transmit herewith for payment the account of Fairweather and Rahn for Okonite wire furnished for machinery being built at the Mint of the United States at Philadelphia, for your mint, amounting to thirty-three dollars ($33.00) which sum you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery. In rendering your account you will please attach the enclosures herewith to the original voucher for file.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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April 28,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I enclose herewith blank form of official bond to be executed by Charles W. Dakin, assistant melter in your institution, which you will please have Mr. Dakin execute as early as practicable, and return to this Office for approval and file in the Department.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

enc.

s.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

RE WRITTEN:

Washington, May 1,1905.

Superintendent Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Tarbell's bond approved he may enter upon duty immediately. Commission will be forwarded.

Geo E Roberts

Director Mint.

FFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR freight, telegrams, etc.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

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STOCK FORM 1758 B.
DIV. P. AND S.

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May 1, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I transmit herewith the Commission of Mr. Harry Tarbell as coiner in your mint, which I will thank you to deliver to him.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint. s.

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May 2,1905

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

Referring to the question of advertsing for supplies which will be required by your institution for the next fiscal year, I have to suggest that if you have not already advertised inviting proposals, I would suggest that you withhold the same until the schedules can be printed which may not be for some weeks.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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May 4,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

In compliance with your request of the 29th ultimo, you are authorized to purchase an Edison Oscillating Mimeograph No. 71, as made by A.B. Dick and Company. The listed price of this machine , as furnished to the Treasury Department, is fifty dollars ($50.00) and you should obtain the same for that price.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint. s.

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May 5,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

If you have not already caused the advertisement inviting proposals for supplies that will be required by your institution to be published, I have to request that you will withhold the publication of the same until otherwise instructed, as I find it is necessary that schedules be prepared of the supplies required, which will take some time. There will be a number of special supplies required which it is deemed advisable to procure on proposals as required.

Respectfully,

R. E. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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May 6, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Superintendent Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

Referring to the transfer of Messrs. Charlton and McGlintock from the Mint at Philadelphia to your institution, as carpenter and machinist, it would appear to be advisable for the present that these employes be assigned to work under the direction of Mr. Hills, representative of the Engineer in Charge of the Equipment of your institution. I make this suggestion, for the reason that it will facilitate the installation of the equipment of the Mint.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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May 6, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I transmit herewith the accounts of S. Faith and Company for furnishing firemen and coal to operate boilers in your Mint from April 1st to April 23rd, and from April 24th to 30th, amounting in the aggregate to $576.38.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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May 6,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

Your attention is respectfully invited to the following provision, contained in an act making appropriations to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30,1905, and for prior years, and for other purposes, approved March 3,1905, viz.-

"Sec. 3679. No Department of the Government shall expend in any one fiscal year, any sum in excess of appropriations made by Congress for that fiscal year or involve the Government in any contract or obligation for the future payment of money in excess of such appropriations unless such contract or obligation is authorized by law. Nor shall any Department or officer of the Government accept voluntary service for the Government or employ personal service in excess of that authorized by law, except in cases of sudden emergency involving the loss of human life or the destruction of property. All appropriations made for contingent expenses or other general purposes, except appropriations made for the fulfillment of contract obligations expressly authorized by law, or for objects required or authorized by law without reference to the amounts annually appropriated therefor, shall, on or before the beginning of each fiscal year, be so apportioned by monthly or other allotments as to prevent undue expenditures in one portion of the year that may require deficiency or additional appropriations to complete the service of the fiscal year; and all such apportionments shall be adhered to except when waived or modified in specific cases by the written order of the head of the Executive Department or other Government establishment having control of the expenditure, but this provision shall not apply to the contingent appropriations of the Senate or House of Representatives, and all such waivers or modifications, together with the reasons therefor,

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shall be communicated to Congress in connection with estimates for any additional appropriations required on account thereof. Any person violating any provision of this section shall be summarily removed from office and may also be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not less than one month."

It is expected you will limit the expenses of your institution for the fiscal year 1906 to the amount appropriated for the same.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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May 6,1905.

Frank M. Downer,

Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I have to advise you that it has been decided to increase the compensation of the Engineer in Charge of Equipment of your institution from six dollars ($6.00) per diem to seven dollars ($7.00) per day. The increase to take effect from and after May 1,1905.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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May 6,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

Enclosed herewith find account of Weicker-Cliff T and S. Company for hauling machinery from the depot to your mint, amounting to $95.00 which, if satisfied as to the correctness of the same you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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enc.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8807.
Ed. May 9 04 500.—8 x 10½.

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APPROVAL OF REQUISITION FOR FUNDS.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., May 8, 1905.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the month of May 1905..... , has been approved for the sum of $ 6,000.00.....payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your Mint..... during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	, 1905 ,	$ 2,000.
Wages of Workmen,	, 1905 ,	3,000.
Contingent Expenses,	, 1905 ,	1,000.
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Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

F. W. B.

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May 9, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

In reply to your letter of the 5th instant, you are respectfully informed that the compensation to be paid John E. McClintock as carpenter at your mint is at the rate of $4.50 per diem, in accordance with an understanding had with Mr. McClintock.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint-

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Form No. 187 B.
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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., May 15, 1905.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your institution be increased by a transfer of one million ..... dollars ($ 1,000,000.00), in gold coin and that the same be placed to your credit with the assistant treasurer U.S. at Chocago, Ills. Advice of credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

R. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

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May 15,1905.

Fr

Frank M.Downer, Esq.,

Supt., Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bill fromThe Eaton, Cole & Burnham Co., N.Y.City, in amount $748.00, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

R. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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May 15,1905.

Frank M.Downer, Esq.,

Supt., United States Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bill from the Stow Flexible Shaft Co. of Philadelphia, in amount $268.95, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

R B Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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May 16,1905.

Frank M.Downer, Esq.,
Supt., Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bills from Albert Sauveur, Boston, Mass. in amount $255.00, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery, after the two microscopes have been examined and pronounced perfect , by the Melter and Refiner and Assayer of your institution.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT

Washington, D. C., May 16, 1905.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your salaries, wages and contingent expense ..... accounts for the month ..... ending April 30....., 1905 , with my approval.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

F.W. B.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
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EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT

Washington, D. C., May 17+1905.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your new machinery expense ....., accounts for the month..... ending April 30,,....., 1905, with my approval.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado,

F.W.B.

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May 18,1905

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

After conference with Mr. Healy and Mr. Tarbell I have today had an interview with the Supervising Architect on the subject of the new floors to be laid in the operating departments, and particularly to urge that the level of these floors be not raised above that of the old floors. It is evident that to have a rise at the entrance to each room would be a lasting inconvenience in the trucking of metal from one room to another. The Supervising Architect stated that the contracts had been let for new floors in two of the rooms but that he would write the Custodian directing that if possible without releasing the contractors from their guaranty the terms should be so modified as to have the new floors made upon the old level. This places the matter in your hands for negotiations and you will not need to be urged to use your best endeavors to have the new floors on the old level.

I understand that the contract for the floor in the rolling and cutting room has not yet been made. When this is made the contractor should be required to take necessary steps to protect the machinery underneath by means of canvass or otherwise from any drippings resulting from the work. It is absolutely necessary that the machinery be protected from moisture. Otherwise great damage

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may result. The cost of this protection should be a part of the contract.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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May 20,1905

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

A considerable amount of machinery is ready for shipment to Denver but we have considered it inadvisable to forward it until the floors in the operative departments are ready to receive it. Please let me know what progress is being made in relaying these floors.

Mr. Healy is busy reviewing the contract work and as soon as he has his report ready will start for Denver.

Very truly yours,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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May 25, 1903

Hon. F. A. Bonner,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of the 20th instant relative to the Saturday half-holiday I would say that under the new rule State holidays are not to be observed unless special authority is given to that effect. No action has yet been taken as to the Saturday half holiday during the summer season but it is quite possible that it may be authorized.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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May 28, 1906.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir,-

I forward you by to-day's mail seventy-five (75) copies of settlement statements to be used by the melter and refiner (Form 600) and coiner (Form 601) of your institution in reporting the operations of their respective departments at the close of each fiscal year. These statements should be furnished to this Bureau immediately upon the completion of the settlement, properly signed, and approved by the Superintendent, and the figures thereon should be carefully compared with the record books to avoid any errors that might possibly occur.

The lack of uniformity and promptness in furnishing accurate and reliable data required by the Department has caused considerable embarrassment in the past, which it is hoped may be avoided by these statements which, however, do not take the place of the customary report furnished.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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May 26, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed you will find letter to S. Faith & Co., Philadelphia, relating to the purchase of coal for the boilers for your institution. This letter will take effect as soon as Faith & Co. can notify their foreman at the building.

You are hereby authorized to purchase coal, of the quality required for the Hanley Furnaces, at the best prices obtainable.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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May 26, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt., Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bill, in amount $46.90 from Library Bureau, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new Machinery and Appliances, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

A. A. Houston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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May 27, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Enclosed herewith find bills from the Kendrick Book & Stationery Co., Denver, in amount $52.25, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

A. W. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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May 27, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Enclosed herewith find bill from the Scott Supply & Tool Co., Denver, in amount $46.13, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

R. P. Bonton

Acting Director of the Mint.

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May 27, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

~~San Francisco, California.~~ Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I transmit herewith account of S. Faith and Company receipted in duplicate for furnishing firemen to operate boilers and for coal supplied from May 1st to May 15, 1905, amounting in the aggregate to $310.78 which sum you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery, U.S. Mint Denver, Colorado.

Respectfully,

R. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

enc

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

E WRITTEN:

Washington, May 29, 1905

Superintendent, Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

You are authorized to come to Washington for conference on matters pertaining to Denver Mint. Wire when you will start.

Geo E Roberts

Director, Mint.

Freight, Telegs. etc.

FICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

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STOCK FORM 1758 B.
DIV. P. AND S.

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May 29, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

~~Philadelphia, Pa.~~ Denver Col

Sir:

You are hereby authorized and requested to come to Washington for conference with the Director of the Mint on matters pertaining to the Mint of the United States at Denver, Colorado.

While engaged in this service, your necessary traveling and subsistence expenses will be paid from the appropriation for Contingent Expenses, Mint, Denver, 1905, upon your rendering an account of the same.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

J B Reynolds

Assistant Secretary.

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May 31, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I forward you by to-day's mail one box containing "Daily Ledger" and "General Bullion Ledger" which were not forwarded in letters of notification of shipment. Also a sample copy of the accounts contained in the above books which you are requested to carefully file for future refernece.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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NOTICE OF REQUEST OF INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., June 1, 1905.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your institution be increased by a transfer of one million ..... dollars ($ 1,000,000.00), in gold coin and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer U.S. at Chicago, Illinois. Advice of credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully yours,

Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

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June 1, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Herewith enclosed find bills from the Bryan-Marsh Company, in amount $287.85, for furnishing incandescent lamps for your institution; you are authorized to pay this bill from the appropriation for new machinery, mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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June 1, 1905.

Frank M.Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bill from the Brown & Sharpe Mfg., in amount $1283.50, for furnishing milling machine , which bill you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery, mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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June 2, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bills from the Brown & Sharpe Mfg. Co., Providence, R.I., in amount $186.25, for furnishing bench leg castings and magnetic chuck, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery, mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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June 2,1905.

Frank M.Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bill from the Franklin Crane & Hoist Co., Franklin, Pa., in amount $135.00, for furnishing portable crane, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery, mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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June 2,1905.

Frank M.Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bill from Queen & Co., Philadelphia, Pa., in amount $160.00, for furnishing electrical testing set, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery, mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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June 2,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury, for settlement, a bill of the Division of Stationery, Treasury Department for stationery furnished the equipment Division of your mint in April 1905, amounting as rendered to $67.66 payable from the appropriation for new machinery mint at Denver, Colorado.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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June 2, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury, for settlement, a bill of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, for transportation (including Pullman) of W. F. Bowen, from Washington, D.C., to Denver, Colorado, in 1905, amounting to $55.00 payable from the appropriation for new machinery Mint at Denver, Colorado.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint. s.

F.W.B.

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June 2, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for payment, a bill of the Pullman Company for transportation of John E. McClintock, and Thomas Charlton, from Philadelphia to Denver, Colorado in May 1905, amounting to $22.00 payable from the appropriation for new machinery, mint at Denver.

Duplicate bill herewith.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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June 2, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir,-

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury for settlement a bill of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy R.R. Company for freight on one (1) case of envelopes from Richmond, Virginia, to Denver, Colorado in November 1904, amounting to $7.09, payable from the appropriation for contingent expenses mint at Denver 1905.

Duplicate bill and bill of lading herewith.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

S.

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June 2,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury for settlement a bill of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy R.R. Company for freight on two (2) cases of stationery from Washington, D.C. to Denver in November 1904, amounting to $12.83 payable from the appropriation for contingent expenses mint at Denver, 1905.

Duplicate bill and bill of lading herewith.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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June 2, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury for settlement, a bill of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy R.R. Company for freight on 27,810 lbs machinery (one coining press and one rolling mill from St. Louis to Denver in December 1904, amounting to $161.21 payable from the appropriation for new machinery, mint at Denver.

Duplicate bill and bill of lading herewith.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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June 6, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I transmit herewith for payment account of the Enterprise Manufacturing Company of Pa., for castings delivered to the Superintendent of Machinery Mint Philadelphia, to be used in moulds required for your mint. Payment to be made from your appropriation for new machinery.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

enc.

S.

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June 6, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I transmit herewith for payment, account of S. Faith and Company, receipted in duplicate, for furnishing firemen and coal, to operate boilers in your mint from May 16th., to May 31, 1905, amounting in the aggregate to $248.67, payable from your appropriation for new machinery.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

enc.

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June 7,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

Referring to your letter of April 7th, requesting authority to purchase furniture for the Coiner's office, same to be in conformity with that purchased for the assayer and melter and refiner's departments, you are authorized to procure same on the best terms obtainable. You are also authorized to purchase additional furniture for the Assayer's office, as requested in your letter of May 10th.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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June 7,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I would thank you to prepare and forward a report upon the operations of your institution, for the fiscal year ending June 30,1905, as early as practicable after the close of the fiscal year.

You will state therein the number of deposits and re-deposits of gold and silver, separately, as well as the total number of officers, clerks or other employes in each department giving the number of men and women separately. Otherwise you will follow the general character of your report as published in my report for the fiscal year 1904.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint. s.

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June 8, 1905.

one million .....

1,000,000.00 in lawful money

Denver National and Colorado National Banks, Denver, Colorado.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

RE WRITTEN:

Washington, June 8, 1905.

Supt. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Wire exact length space between bricks on floor for electrolytic set private laboratory, assay department.

Director of Mint.

AL BUSINESS.
VERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR freight, telegrams, etc.

2—4258 The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

STOCK FORM 1758 B.
DIV. S., P., AND B.

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June 5,1905

Frank M. Downer,Esq.,
Superintendent,U.S.Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I enclose herewith the accounts of the Bell Telephone Company for a long distance message from Philadelphia to this Bureau by Mr. Healy on business relative to new machinery of your Mint, for which amount, $1.20, you will please forward check to the Bell Telephone Company, Philadelphia, stating to them the account for which the same was issued in payment.

Very truly yours,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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June 10,1905

Frank M. Downer Esq.,
Superintendent,U.S.Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have today written to Mr. Benno P. Wirth of the Philadelphia Mint, that owing to the illness of his child, he may delay his departure for Denver for the present.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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June 10, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury, for settlement a bill of the stationery division Treasury Department, for copying books, copying baths and copying press, shipped you on May 17, 1905, amounting as rendered to $52.92 payable from the appropriation for contingent expenses, mint at Denver, 1905.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

s.

F.W.B.

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June 13,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir.-

I transmit by to-day's mail, forms upon which I have to request that you will give a full and complete list of all officers, clerks, and other employes in your institution, under your control on July 1,1905. I enclose herewith circular letter of the Secretary of the Treasury giving instructions in regard to the same, and with which you will strictly comply. These forms should be returned to this office not later than the 20th of July, as same has to be compared with the records of this Bureau before being transmitted to the Secretary of the Treasury.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint. s.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington, June 13, 1905.

To

Superintendent Mint

Denver, Colorado.

Can you spare Denckla to assist at annual settlement San Francisco commencing July sixth?

Director Mint.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR freight, telegrams, etc. $
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

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STOCK FORM 1788 B.
DIV. P. AND S.

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Form No. 8807.
Ed. May 9 04 500.—8 x 10½.

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APPROVAL OF REQUISITION FOR FUNDS.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., June 14, 1905.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the month of June 1905....., has been approved for the sum of $ 8,266.69, payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your mint during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	, 1905,	$ 766.69
Wages of Workmen,	, 1905,	4,000.00
Contingent Expenses,	, 1905,	3,500.00
	, 190 ,	
	, 190 ,	

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

F.W.B. s

Contingent reduced on account opt bills

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June 16,1905.

Frank M.Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bill from Bryan-Marsh Company, in amount $79.23, for furnishing incandescent lamps for your institution, which bill you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Frank Leslie

Director of the Mint.

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June 16, 1905

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I find that after July first the Secretary of the Civil Service Board for the Denver District will become a regular member of the Commission's staff and paid from its own appropriation. This is where he properly belongs and no necessity now exists for the Mint service to assume his salary.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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June 16, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I transmit herewith for payment from the appropriation "New Machinery, Denver," the account of F. J. Reutlinger, for full set of steel figures for the use of your mint for $12.30, for which sum please remit your check in favor of Mr. Reutlinger on Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Enclosure.

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June 16, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Commencing July 1st, you are authorized to fix the wages to be paid watchmen, firemen and laborers at your institution as follows:

Watchmen, ----------	$900.00	per annum
Firemen, ----------	840.00	" "
Laborers, ----------	2.50	" diem.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 111.
Ed. Jan. 1-15-1905-5 x 1904.

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EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., June 17, 1905.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your salaries, wages and contingent expense.....accounts for the month ..... ending May 31,..... 1905, with my approval.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

F.W.B.

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June 17, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I enclose herewith the account of S. Faith & Co., of Philadelphia, for furnishing fireman to operate boilers in your Mint, from the 1st to the 10th of June inclusive, and also for coal, amounting in the aggregate to $187.21

If, upon examination, you find the amounts correct in all respects, you are authorized to pay the same from the Appropriation for New Machinery.

It is understood that this is the final account of S. Faith & Co., for this service.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Enclosure.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 111.
Ed. Jan. 17-05—1,000—8 x 10½.

EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT.

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Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., June 19, 1905

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your New Machinery --- ---------- accounts for the month --------- ending May 31, ---------, 1905, with my approval.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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June 19, 1903.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I enclose herewith account of Crocker-Wheeler Company, receipted in duplicate, for 1L. 1 H.P. 230 &c. Motor #740, which is to be used on riddle being built for your institution. You are authorized to pay the same from the appropriation for New Machinery, Denver Mint.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Enclosure.

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June 19, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I return herewith for file in your Mint, duplicate coal bill of William E. Russell, amounting to $122.10, and being a part of voucher #3 New Machinery Account for May. This bill was filed in triplicate with account. You will please forward receipted bill of Mr. Russell for $259.28, being a part of same voucher. This bill was not forwarded with account.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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June 20,1905

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent,U.S.Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 16th instant enclosing two letters from Mr. Tarbell, the Coiner, asking the temporary transfer of Mr. Clark, Assistant Coiner of the Mint at Philadelphia, to act as Mr. Tarbell's assistant in preparing for coinage operations at Denver, and later the temporary transfer of Mr. Baldwin of the New York Assay Office to succeed Mr. Clark in a similar capacity.

I will confer with these gentlemen and endeavor to accomplish this end.

Very truly yours,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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June 21, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I will thank you to forward to this Bureau a copy of my letter authorizing the employment of an elevator conductor.

Respectfully,

Leo E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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June 22, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have this day instructed Mr. Paul R. Hemple, who is transferred from the Mint at New Orleans, to your Mint, to leave New Orleans in time to reach Denver the 1st proximo.

You will please have him take the oath of office upon his arrival, and forward the same.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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June 22, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colo.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for settlement a bill of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, for labor and material in manufacturing one complete set of patterns for the two sizes of supporting legs now in use at Philadelphia Mint, for holding bullion balances, amounting as rendered to $38.02, payable from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint, Denver."

Duplicate bill herewith.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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June 22,1905

Superintendent,U.S.Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I transmit herewith for payment from the appropriation for New Machinery, accounts receipted in duplicate for certain supplies delivered to the Mint at Philadelphia for use on machinery being built for Denver as follows:

Willaimson Bros. Co. for castings.....	$11.45
Fairweather & Rahn, Machinist Hammer.....	.60
T. C. Dill Machine Co.....forgings.....	204.20
Fairweather & Rahn, Nickel plating clock.....	3.25
John M. Melloy's Sons, charcoal boxes, furnace hoods, scoops, funnels.....	54.00

In payment of the above named accounts you will please remit check on New York to parties named.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

(Enclosures)

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June 22, 1905

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your communication of June fourteenth relative to the discontinuance of the service of the Denver Water Company and reliance upon our own artesian well. My understanding of the conclusion arrived at when you were here was that the water Company's service was to be stopped but I did not understand that this involved the necessity of running the engine plant at night. I understand that the storage capacity of your tank is about 30,000 gallons and that one of the air compressors will pump this amount in less than eight hours, this being able to keep the tank full at all times, and there is a gravity head feed to the boilers so that no pumping is required to keep the boilers full. It does not seem to me that the chance of fire in the Mint is great enough to be seriously considered. The most serious objection I see to the running of the engine plant at night, and I consider it an insuperable objection, is that the plant has not yet been finally tested or accepted. The contractors of the Providence Engineering Company have entered into an agreement under which Mr. Brown, their engine erector, is authorized to run the engines during the day time and under his operation the Company is responsible. Mr. Brown has not, however, been vested by the Company with authority to consent to the operation of the engines by anybody else and if anything should happen to them under an engineer of our

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own selection I do not believe the contractors could be held responsible. I do not think we are justified in taking any risk to the engines by putting them in the hands of unauthorized persons.

Mr. Healy tells me that he recommended the appointment of Mr. Edlund as a temporary oiler or wiper to serve as an assistant to Mr. Brown in that capacity. The motor generator set of 60 H.P. is, I understand, sufficiently large to run all necessary equipment at night and the cost of operating it is less than the cost of operating the engine. Furthermore, while there is less chance of injury to it, it belongs to the Mint and if anything should happen to it the value is comparatively small and no embarrassing complications could arise. In my opinion Mr. Brown should personally operate the engines until all tests are made and complete payments settled; when he is not on duty the motor-generatorset to be operated.

I asked Mr. Healy to make a recommendation and he submits the following:

"My recommendation would be that the engines be operated during the day by Mr. Brown, having Edlund assist Brown in oiling and cleaning engines and parts. The electrician would be in building during the working period of engine generators and could have supervision over electrical apparatus. During the day time the compressors should be operated and well tank kept full at all times. After the eight hour working period for engines, the fires under boilers should be banked, cut off steam valves closed and all boiler and engine room apparatus in the class of moving parts, allowed to remain idle until Mr. Brown reports for duty to start engine room equipment. The motor-generator set can be started when desired and has an output large enough to run all lights and any motors that might be required to run."

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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June 23, 1905

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I have your communication of June 17th with certain recommendations as to promotions and salaries to be effected July 1, 1905. These recommendations will be approved except as otherwise determined below:

The promotion of Homer J. Pumphrey to the position of Captain of the Watch will be approved at a salary of $1,200 per year. It is true that the Captain of the Watch at San Francisco receives considerably more than this but he renders other service. He has a room in the building and has command of the force both day and night. He is also Assistant Custodian of the building and has charge of the force of janitors and day laborers. He is regarded by the Superintendent as an exceptionally valuable man. In view of the varied and responsible service which he performs and at the special request of the Superintendent his salary has been maintained at its present figure. The highest pay received by any Captain of the Watch elsewhere in the Mint service is $1200 per year.

The pay of Nathan R. Twitchell, Doorkeeper, will be approved at $1,000 per year. This is the pay given to the head doorkeeper at the San Francisco Mint. The doorkeeper at Philadelphia has been allowed $1,200 but he has under him a considerable force of conductors for whose management he is responsible. The salary there

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has also been somewhat influenced by the fact that the position is occupied by an exceptionally capable man. $1,000 a year is enough for the position at any of the institutions.

The pay of watchmen was fixed in my letter of June 16,1905, at all the institutions at $900 per year.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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June 23, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

As Mr. H. J. Denckla is to occupy the position of book-keeper at your institution, from and after the 1st proximo, I have instructed the Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco to afford him every facility for familiarizing himself with the system of book-keeping in that institution. After the count has been completed, Mr. Denckla is authorized to spend such time at the Mint at San Francisco, as may be necessary to familiarize himself with the books of that institution.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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June 23, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I transmit herewith for your information, a statement showing the amount paid at the Department, from the appropriation for New Machinery for your Mint up to date. Hereafter all bills payable from this appropriation will be referred to you for payment, except that for transportation by railway, of employees, which will be settled at the Department as heretofore. I also enclose a list of the accounts that have been paid by you from the appropriation "New Machinery, Mint at Denver" to June 1st, 1905, and a list of outstanding contracts for machinery to be paid from this appropriation and from the appropriation for Parting and Refining Bullion.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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June 24, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for settlement, two bills of the Union Pacific R. R. Co., for freight on 7,000 lbs. of machinery from Louisiana Exposition at St. Louis to Denver, in May 1905, amounting as rendered, to $194.25 and $11.20, total $205.45, payable from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Duplicate bills herewith.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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June 24, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colo.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for settlement, three bills payable from the appropriation for New Machinery, Mint at Denver, as follows:

Penna. R. R. Co., transportation of John E. McClintock and Thomas Charlton from Philadelphia to Denver, in May, 1905, and Harry Tarbell from Washington to New York and return in May, 1905, amounting in the aggregate to	$103.50
The Pullman Company for transportation of Harry Tarbell from Denver to Washington in May, 1905, and from Washington to Denver in June, 1905, amounting in the aggregate to	22.00
a total of	125.50

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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June 24, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for settlement, a bill of the Stationery Division, Treasury Department, for stationery, copy presses etc., shipped to you on May 22, 1905, amounting to $247.17, payable from the appropriation "Contingent Expenses, Mint at Denver, 1905."

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington, June 28, 1905.

To Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Report by wire close of business thirtieth intant approximate amount gold bullion on hand.

A. B. Houston

Acting Director of the Mint.

Freight, telegrams etc.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR.....
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

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STOCK FORM 1788 G
DIV. R. AND S.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

ERE WRITTEN:

Washington, June 29, 1905.

Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

You are authorized to make temporary appointment of an additional watchman.

R O Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

Freight, telegrams etc.

FICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR----------
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

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STOCK FORM 1769 B.
DIV. P. AND S.

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June 29, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt, Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado,

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find copies of letters received at this office as also lists of material as shipped from the Philadelphia Mint to your institution. I will thank you to check off this material as soon as same arrives in Denver and notify this office in regard to material received.

Respectfully,

A. P. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

E WRITTEN:

Washington, June 30, 1905.

Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

You are authorized to make temporary appointment of bank messenger at nine hundred per annum.

R. O. Bratton

Acting Director of the Mint.

IAL BUSINESS.
OVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Freight, telegrams etc.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

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STOCK FORM 1758 B.
SIV. R. AND S.

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June 30, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Herewith enclosed find bill, in amount $36.62, from the Mountain Electric Co., Denver, for fuses furnished your institution, which bill you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

R. B. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 30, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

The Department will close Saturdays, at one o'clock P.M., during the months of July, August and September.

If you desire this privilege for your institution, you will please make application to this Bureau, in order that the same may be approved by the Secretary of the Treasury.

Respectfully,

A. P. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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July 6,1905.

Frank M.Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bill, in amount $84.00, from S.Faith & Co., Phila., Pa. for furnishing piping, fittings, etc., which bill you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

A. E. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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July 10, 1905

F. M. Downer Esq.,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 5th instant transmitting list of employes in the United States Mint at Denver, July 1, 1905, for the official register, has been received.

Respectfully,

A. A. Houston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 3507.
Ed. May 9 01 500.—8 x 10½.

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APPROVAL OF REQUISITION FOR FUNDS.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., July 10, 1905.

Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the month of July ----------, 1905, has been approved for the sum of $ 15,000.00--------, payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your Mint-------- during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	, 1906 ,	$ 5,000.00
Wages of Workmen,	, 1906 ,	8,000.00
Contingent Expenses,	, 1906 ,	2,000.00
	, 190 ,	
	, 190 ,	

Respectfully,

A. B. Barlow

Acting Director of the Mint.

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July 11,1905

Superintendent,U.S.Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I enclose herewith for payment corrected account of Messrs. S. Faith & Company for furnishing firemen to operate boilers from June 1st to 6th inclusive, and for coal furnished during this period amounting to in the aggregate $161.21, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation "New Machinery".

Respectfully,

R B Preston

Acting Director of the Mint

(Enclosure)

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July 11, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Herewith enclosed find bill from Scott Supply & Tool Co., Denver, in amount $34.40, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

R. B. Roberts

Acting Director of the Mint.

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July 11, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Forwarded herewith find bill from the International Acheson Graphite Co., in amount $60.00, which you are authorized to pay after goods listed have been inspected and declared satisfactory by the Melter & Refiner of your institution.

Respectfully,

R. E. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
FORM No. 102.
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RECEIPT OF ACCOUNTS.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,
Washington, D. C., July 11, 1905.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Bullion Account, Abstracts and Vouchers, for the Quarter ending June 30, 1905.

Respectfully,

R. B. Roberts
Acting Director of the Mint.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
FORM No. 3818.
Ed. July 19 01 1,000.—5 x 1904.

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NOTICE OF INDORSEMENT AND RETURN OF CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., July 11, 1905. ~~190~~

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 30th ultimo, Certificate of Deposit No. 1931 issued by The Colorado National Bank, for $ 25.00, being on account of Special assays, has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.

No personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury, as a miscellaneous receipt.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE,
Form No. 6813.
Ed. July 19 04 1,000.—8 x 10½.

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NOTICE OF INDORSEMENT AND RETURN OF CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., July 11, 1905. ~~190~~

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 30th ultimo, Certificate of Deposit No. 1932 issued by The Colorado National Bank, for $ 1,140.86, being on account of D.M. Room Sweeps, has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.

personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury, as a miscellaneous receipt.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE,
FORM No. 8812.
Ed. July 19 04 1,000.—8 x 10¼.

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NOTICE OF INDORSEMENT AND RETURN OF CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., July 11, 1905. ~~190~~.

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 30th ultimo, Certificate of Deposit No. 1933 issued by The Colorado National Bank, for $ 674.10, being on account of Alloy Charges, has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.

Personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury, as a miscellaneous receipt.

Respectfully,

A. Piatt Andrew

Acting Director of the Mint.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE,
Form No. 812.
Ed. July 19 04 1,000.—5,41054.

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NOTICE OF INDORSEMENT AND RETURN OF CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., July 11, 1905, 190 .

Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 30th ultimo, Certificate of Deposit No. 1234 issued by the Colorado National Bank of Denver,- for $ 2,402.50, being on account of Unexpended balance, Wages appropriation, has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.

personal credit to be given you in your Wages of Workmen Expense accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury. as a repayment to the credit of the above named appropriation.

Respectfully,

R. B. Roberts

Acting- Director of the Mint.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

FWB

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U. S. MINT SERVICE,
Form No. 3812.
Ed. July 19 04 1,000.—8 x 10¼.

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NOTICE OF INDORSEMENT AND RETURN OF CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., July 11, 1905. ~~190~~

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 30th ultimo, Certificate of Deposit No. 1935 issued by The Colorado National Bank, for $ 9,253.70, being on account of Parting & Refining Charges, has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.

personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury, "to the credit of appropriation for Parting & Refining Bullion".

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 5812
Ed. July 19 04 1,000.—3,x1094.

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NOTICE OF INDORSEMENT AND RETURN OF CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., July 11, 1905, 190 .

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 30th ultimo, , Certificate of Deposit No. 1937 issued by Colorado National Bank of Denver,- for $ 1,686.06 , being on account of Unexpended balance, Contingent Expenses , has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.

personal credit to be given you in your

~~Expense~~ accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury. as a repayment to the credit of the above named appropriation.

Respectfully,

R. O. Bonta

Acting Director of the Mint.

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July 13, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I will thank you to deliver the enclosed blank form of bond to Mr. Fred. H. Chaffin, Cashier of your Mint, with the request that he will execute and forward the same to the Secretary of the Treasury for approval, as early as practicable.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

RE WRITTEN:

Washington, July 13, 1905.

Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

You are authorized to pay machinery department including Mr. Healy, from the regular appropriation for wages of workmen, from July first.

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Freight, telegrams etc.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR.....
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

STOCK FORM 1759 E.
DIV. R AND S.

2—1208

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

ERE WRITTEN:

Washington. July 14, 1905.

O Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

From and after fifteenth instant you are authorized to pay for silver contained in gold deposits at the rate of fifty-two cents per ounce standard until otherwise instructed.

Director of the Mint.

FFICIAL BUSINESS. Freight, telegrams etc.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR.....
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

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STOCK FORM 1788 B.
DIV. F. AND E.

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July 14, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,

Supt. Mint United States,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

In checking your last months accounts we find that the Denver Gas & Electric Company have charged $25.00, as a minimum charge, while the actual current used only amounts to $6.00, when figured on a basis of three cents per kilo-watt hour, flat rate.

Mr. Healy tells me that Mr. Barker, together with other officials of the electric company, agreed that the rate should be 4 cents, less 25%, per K.W. hour, for any amount of current used; and for that reason watt-meters were placed at the Mint building by the electric company and also on panel board of the motor-generator set by the Government. As a note on bill states that the bill was paid under protest, this office is of the opinion that you agree with Mr. Healy in regard to charges.

There appears to be no contract, with the above mentioned company, on file at this office: please forward copies of contracts for supplying electric current and gas for your institution.

As the motor-generator set is now being operated about sixteen hours each day, I would suggest that you call the attention of the electric company to the unfairness of their methods of charging for service. This bill will be suspended, pending a satisfactory adjustment.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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July 14, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bill from S. Faith & Co., Phila., Pa., for work done at your institution, in amount $1160.50, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts
Director of the Mint.

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July 14, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Pay roll on account of wages for the month of June is herewith returned for completion. In each instance the rate of compensation and time must be inserted. As the roll now stands no other Bureau would be able to check the amounts.

Voucher #104, Contingent account, bill of F. M. Downer, is returned for affidavit. Voucher #112, same account, is returned for correction. It is understood that no minimum rate can be charged (See letter on subject, herewith). Voucher #117 same account, is returned for explanation of last item ($6.00).

Account Current and Abstract of Disbursements, Contingent Account, are returned for any correction that may be found necessary to make.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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July 15, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I am referring to you a letter from Congressman E. J. Hill of Connecticut, written in behalf of a friend of his, a Mr. E. C. Betts of Denver, who has taken the clerical examination and hopes for an appointment in the Mint.

Mr. Hill is one of my best friends, whom I would greatly like to oblige in this or any other matter. If Mr. Betts should be within reach on the list, I would be much gratified if you could see your way to appoint him. I write this that you might be advised of my interest in the matter, as I know you will have many similar requests. I expect to see you before any more clerical appointments are made, and suggest that you keep yourself free until we can have a conference.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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July 18,1905

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent,U.S.Mint,
Denver, Colorado,

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of the 15th instant relative to the working of the eight hour law in the mint service and particularly to the overtime work of the firemen in your Mint during the present month, I would say;

The eight hour law is a general statute which appears in the Revised Statutes as Section 3738, as follows:

"Eight hours shall constitute a day's work for all laborers, workmen or mechanics who may be employed by or on behalf of the Government of the United States."

It has been held that overtime may be granted to per diem employes but not to employes paid by the month or year. One reason for transferring the firemen to the salaried roll has been to remove the temptation which seemed to exist to make overtime. In view of your statement that you have directed certain overtime to be made this month you are authorized to carry the firemen on the per diem roll for July at the rate of $2.70 per day. This will allow you to grant them overtime. After this month change them to the salary roll at the rate of $70 per month unless directed to the contrary.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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July 16,1905

E. M. Downer Esq.,
Superintendent,U.S.Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 25rd instant which came in my absence as to the appointment of Mr, Moessner and his ability to erect the balances I beg to submit the following extract from a letter of Mr. Troemner, manufacturer of the balances:

"Now respecting the setting up of the large balances which we shipped to the Mint of the United States, Denver, Colorado, we beg to say that we think it would be to the best interest of the Government to have Mr. Siegfried of the Philadelphia Mint erect these balances originally, as he has had a large experience in this line on account of his working with these balances in the Mint of this city, which should stand him in good stead in the erection of the balances at Denver.

Mr. Moessner worked for us for about 15 years, but he never worked on the large balances, working only on small balances. We think that it would be more satisfactory if Mr. Siegfried erected these balances originally, working in conjunction with Mr. Moessner as this would be valuable to Mr. Moessner as instructional experience."

Mr. Siegfried will go to Denver shortly and superintend the erection of the balances. Mr. Moessner can assist him and I have no doubt that after the balances are once put up and Mr. Moessner has had the benefit of Mr. Siegfried's advice in erecting them that it will be safe to leave Mr. Moessner in charge.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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July 19,1905

Superintendent,U.S.Mint,

Denver, Colorado,

Sir:

Enclosed herewith find the account of Henderson Bros, Inc., receipted in duplicate for hauling machinery from Mint at Philadelphia to depot for shipment to your mint, amounting to $51.28, which you are authorized to pay from appropriation, "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 114
Est. Jan. 17 '03—1,000—3 x 5½.

EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., July 19 1905

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your

New Machinery Expense——————— accounts for the month ending June 30,1905 , 190 , with my approval

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Frank M.Downer Esq.,
Superintendent,U.S.Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

FMB.

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July 24, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I transmit by to-day's mail, blank forms on which you will submit estimates of appropriations that will be required for the support of the Mint of the United States at Denver, Colorado, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1907.

I would call your attention to the instructions printed at the head of the blanks, in regard to these estimates, and have to request that you conform strictly thereto.

It is desirable that these estimates should reach this Bureau not later than the first of September.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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July 25, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

A disallowance of $19. has been recommended in your Comtingent Expense Account for June, being the amount of overcharge for electric current for the month, as shown by voucher #112, said account.

Your letter of the 19th instant, in relation to this voucher states that the Company has agreed to credit your bill for July with the amount charged in the June account above the amount actually used, viz $19.

This amount cannot be carried from the appropriation for 1905 to that of 1906. The only way to remedy this is for the Company to refund you the $19., which amount you will deposit in the Treasury to the credit of the appropriation for Contingent Expenses, fiscal year 1905.

The Company can then charge for the actual amount used in July.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 111.
Ed. Jan. 17-05—1,000—8 x 10½.

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EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., July 25, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your Salaries, Wages and Contingent Expense--------- accounts for the month---------- ending June 30, --------, 1905, with my approval except as shown by letter of to-day.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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July 28,1905

Superintendent,U.S.Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for settlement a bill of the Union Pacific R.R.Co., amounting as rendered to $100.75 (one hundred dollars and seventy-five cents) for transportation of Harry Tarbell from Denver, Colorado to Washington, D. C. and return, via Philadelphia in May, 1905, payable from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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July 28,1905

Frank M. Downer Esq.,
Superintendent,U.S.Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for settlement two bills of the Stationery Division, Treasury Department amounting in the aggregate to $26.46 for ink, brushes, perforating silk, stencil paper and tags, shipped you on June 14 and 29, 1905, payable from the appropriation for "Contingent Expenses, Mint at Denver, 1905."

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

FWB

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July 28, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for settlement, a bill of the Denver & Rio Grande R.R. Co., for freight on 4540 lbs machinery, brick and iron tables, from New York City to Denver, Colorado, in November, 1904, amounting as rendered to $60.06, payable from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver".

Duplicate bill and bill of lading herewith.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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July 29, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I forward by today's mail, 750 copies of Form #906 to be used in reporting to this Bureau the value of bullion that may be received in the future, at your Institution, from the minor Assay Offices.

The weight of the bullion before and after melting should be inserted. This form requires no letter of transmittal.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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July 21, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I transmit herewith the account of Fairweather & Rahn, receipted in duplicate, for 1 H.P. Starting Box for use on coin riddle built for your Mint at the Mint in Philadelphia, amounting to $16.94, which sum you are authorized to pay from the appropriation "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Respectfully,

R. A. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 1, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I enclose herewith a list of the platinum ware for the Assayer's and Melter and Refiner's Department of your Mint, shipped by Baker & Co., of Newark, N. J., in order that the weights may be checked when the materials are received.

Respectfully,

R. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 3, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Enclosed is bill of Robert L. Whitehead, amounting to $9.38 traveling expenses from Philadelphia, to Washington and return, July 5, 1905, which you are authorized to pay from appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

A. B. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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August 4, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith find bill from A. W. Harris Oil Co., for oil furnished to your Institution, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for New Machinery, Mint at Denver, after materials have been delivered and checked satisfactorily.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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August 4, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith find bill from O. S. Walker & Co., Worcester, Mass., in amount, $52.00 for furnishing Planer Parallel for machine shop, which bill you are authorized to pay from the appropriation "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.E.H.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington, August 5,1905

O

Superintendent,Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Please wire address of Empire Zinc Company.

Geo. E. Roberts

Director,Mint.

Freight, Telegs. etc.

FFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

2—4258 The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

STOCK FORM 1758 S.
DIV. P. AND S.

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August 5, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith find correspondence, cuts and blue prints of the power-driven cupel-making machine that is under consideration for the equipment of the Assay Department of your Institution.

I would be pleased to have you take up this matter with Mr. Hodgson and obtain his recommendation in regard to the method of driving press: that is, whether he desires belt or gear drive, and also whether a hand or foot lever knock off should be provided, for working the clutch, and it is also desired that the exact dimensions of the cupel that is to be formed in the press, should be given. Mr. Hodgson should state definitely, shape and size of cupel that he prefers.

Please return correspondence and drawings enclosed, together with your recommendation, at the earliest possible date.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

F.E.H.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 270 B.—8 x 10½.
Ed. 8 d 1901 1,000.

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Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., August 5, 1905. 190

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 31st ultimo, *Certificate of Deposit No.* 1971----- *issued by* the Colorado National Bank of Denver, Colorado *for* $19.00 *being on account of* Refund by Denver Gas & Electric Co., *has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.*

personal credit to be given you in your Contingent---------- Expense---------- *accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury* as a repayment to the credit of the appropriation for Contingent Expenses, Mint at Denver, 1905.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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August 7,1905.

Frank M.Downer, Esq.,
Supt., Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bill from the Waterbury Farrel Foundry and Machine Co., in amount $1180.00, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for new machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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August 7,1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bill from the O.C.White Co., Worcester, Mass, in amount $128.75, for furnishing electric fixtures for your institution, which bill you are authorized to pay, after materials have been checked off, from the appropriation for new machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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August 7, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

You are hereby authorized to purchase all necessary materials for use in constructing a hydrogen generator, tank and blow-pipe, together with all required fittings, for a complete lead burner outfit. Mr. Healy reports that Hill recommends that McGreal build this generator, etc., which will probably be the cheaper and better way to do.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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August 7,1905

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent,U.S.Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I have your telegram stating that the Iron Silver Mining Company of Leadville, shipped its silver zinc ores to the Empire Zinc Company, Cherokee Lanyon Company, and United States S. &. R. Co. Mr. J. H. Troutman, Denver, Treasurer of the Empire Zinc Company, reported to us under date of February 23, 1905, that that Company turned out no gold or silver in 1904. The Cherokee Lanyon Company informs us from its office at Gas, Kansas, that it produced no gold or silver since October, 1903. The United States S. &. R. Company was addressed by us at Canon City, Colorado and replied that it had no gold or silver product in 1904. We have, therefore, not been able to trace any silver product from the Iron Silver Mining Company outside of that shipped to the American S. &. R. Company.

Will you please find out whether they had any returns for silver other than that shipped the latter Company; answer by mail.

Your figures for the silver output of Colorado are a million ounces greater than ours. I have thought the difference might be in these zinc ores.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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August 7,1905

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent,U.S.Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I have your telegram of the 5th reporting that the Ohio & Colorado Smelting Company has advised you that it had no 1904 receipts from reduction works or mines in Texas. I enclose herewith to you the report made to this Bureau by that Company by which you will see that it reported 1190.044 fine ounces of gold and 262,877.84 fine ounces of silver as of Texas origin.

Will you please call the attention of the Company to this report and ask what States should be given credit for these amounts. Please return the enclosed report to this Bureau with the desired information.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

(Enclosure)

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August 6, 1906

F. M. Downer Esq.,
Superintendent U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

If you can consistently put Jerry W. Shepard, 1871 Race Street, Denver, on your temporary roll for employment I would be glad. He is a friend of Ex-Assistant Secretary Vanderlip, who has interceded in his behalf. I believe he has taken the examination but I do not know what he is qualified to do or what kind of work he wants, and with this recommendation to your consideration the matter is wholly in your hands.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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August 8, 1905.

Frank M. Downer, Esq.,
Supt. Mint United States,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed find bill from F.A. Schmidt, Washington, D.C., for furnishing drawing supplies for the use of the machinery force now at work on the equipment of the machinery etc., at your institution; you are authorized to pay this bill from the appropriation for new machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8807.
Ed. May 9 04 500.—8 x 10½.

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APPROVAL OF REQUISITION FOR FUNDS.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., August 9, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the month of August, ----------, 1905, has been approved for the sum of $8,000.00---------, payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your Mint, ------- during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	, 1906,	$3,000.00
Wages of Workmen,	, 1906,	4,000.00
Contingent Expenses,	, 1906,	1,000.00
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Respectfully,

A. B. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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August 9, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Application has been made to this Bureau by J. H. Siegrist & Co., New York, N. Y., for permission for Nast & Co. Photographers, Denver, Colorado, to take photographs of the oiling system now installed in the engine room of your Institution.

You are hereby authorized to allow the above mentioned photographers to take whatever pictures of the oiling system works that they desire.

Respectfully,

R. B. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 9, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith find invoice sheet having listed thereon pump, motor, hard rubber piping and fittings, shipped to your Institution for the Melter & Refiner's Department. Receipted bills for material will be forwarded to you in the near future, for payment.

Respectfully,

R O Bratton

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.E.H.

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August 9, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith find bills of Waterbury Farrell Foundry & Machine Co., in amount one thousand five hundred and fifty dollars ($1550.00), for supplying your Institution with one 5" x 8" rolling mill for the Assay Department. This bill you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Respectfully,

R. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.E.H.

RG104 E-235 Vol 350

308

August 9, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith find bills of Waterbury Farrell Foundry & Machine Co., in amount one thousand five hundred and fifty dollars ($1550.00), for supplying your Institution with one 5" x 8" rolling mill for the Assay Department. This bill you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Respectfully,

R. B. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.E.H.

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August 9, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith find bill from the Watson-Stillman Co., in amount one hundred and twenty-one dollars ($121.00) for furnishing three Hydraulic Jacks to your Institution. This bill you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver".

Respectfully,

R. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.E.H.

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August 9, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 28th ultimo, requesting the transfer of Thomas Perkins, employed as an unclassified Laborer in the Post Office at Denver, Colo., to your Mint, you are respectfully informed that you may appoint Mr. Perkins as an unclassified Laborer, upon his severing his connection with the Post Office service.

Respectfully,

R. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 11, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Samples 3 & 6 of blank books requested in your letter of July 1, are returned for additional information.

Sample No. 3.- Books of this description cannot be furnished under the laws regulating public printing. Books must have a printed heading.

Sample No. 6.- Returned for insertion of proper space and headings for the proposed changes.

Respectfully,

R. P. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

A.A.H.

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August 11, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

The appropriation for Wages of Workmen and Adjusters at your Mint for the current fiscal year, limits the amount that may be paid for other clerks and employees, to a sum not to exceed $32,500.00.

I will thank you forward to this Bureau a list of "other clerks and employees", specifying compensation of each, that will be paid from the appropriation for wages at your Mint, for the current fiscal year.

In no event must the amount paid for clerks and other employees exceed the sum above stated. Your early attention is requested.

Respectfully,

R. B. Roberts

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 12, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith find bill from the American Hard Rubber Co., New York City, in amount $772.00, for furnishing rubber pump, motor, rubber piping and fittings for the Refinery of your Institution. You are authorized to pay this bill from the appropriation for Parting & Refining Bullion, after the material has been pronounced satisfactory, either by Mr. Whitehead or Mr. Wirth of the Refinery Department, who superintended the selection of this material.

Respectfully,

R. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 12, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith find bill from Baker & Co., Newark, N. J., in amount $1,716.34, for platinum ware furnished for the Assay Department of your Institution.

After this material has been checked for weight and prices, and pronounced satisfactory by Messrs. Hodgson and Bowen, who selected these materials, you are authorized to pay this bill from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Respectfully,

R O Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 12, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith find bill from Baker & Co., Newark, N. J., in amount $584.59, for furnishing platinum ware for the Melter & Refiner's Department of your Institution.

You are authorized to pay this bill from the appropriation for Parting and Refining Bullion, after this platinum ware has been checked off and promounced satisfactory by Mr. Whitehead who selected these utensils.

Respectfully,

R O Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 111.
Ed. Jan. 17-05—1,000—8 x 10½.

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EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT

Washington, D. C., August 14, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your Salaries, Wages & Contingent Expense ---------- accounts for the month ---------- ending July 31, 1905, ------, ~~190--~~, with my approval.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 111.
Ed. Jan. 17-03—1,000—6 x 1904.

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EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT

Washington, D. C., August 14, 1905.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your Bullion accounts for the Quarter ending June 30, 1905, ~~190~~, with my approval.

Respectfully,

R. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

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August 14, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith find copy of letter received from Baker & Co., Newark, N. J., relating to the express charges on platinum ware as delivered to your institution. You will note that instructions have been given the Express Company to reimburse you for any payments that you may have made on this shipment.

Respectfully,

A. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 111.
Rl. Jan. 17-05—1,000—5 x 10½.

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EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT

Washington, D. C., August 15, 1905

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your New Machinery Expense ---------- accounts for the month ---------- ending July 31----------, 190 5, with my approval.

Respectfully,

A. B. Hepburn

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

August 16, 1905.

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your institution be increased by a transfer of one million ----------

dollars ($1,000,000.---------- in gold coin-------- and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Chicago, Illinois.

Respectfully,

R. P. Bratton

Acting

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August 17, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith find bill from American Gas Furnace Co., New York City, in amount seven hundred dollars ($700.), for furnishing five cupel furnaces with complete fittings, as installed in the Assay Department of your institution.

If these five furnaces were delivered in good condition at the building, you are authorized to pay the above mentioned bill from the appropriation "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Respectfully,

R. B. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 17, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Herewith enclosed find bill, in amount $320.00 from the American Gas Furnace Co., for furnaces and equipment furnished for the Refinery of your Institution.

You are authorized to pay this bill from the appropriation for "New Machinery", after material has been checked off, and pronounced satisfactory by Mr. Whitehead who selected this material.

Respectfully,

R. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington, August 19, 1905.

Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Check for ten thousand dollars advance made on account parting and refining bullion.

R. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

Freight , telegrams etc.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

STOCK FORM 1788-B.
DIV. P. AND S.

2—1258

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August 19, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for settlement a bill of the Pullman Company for transportation of Paul R. Hempel, from New Orleans to Denver in June, 1905, amounting as rendered to nine dollars ($9.00), payable from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver". Duplicate bill herewith.

Respectfully,

R. E. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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August 19, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 15th instant, reporting the indefinite suspension of John E. McClintock, for absence without leave and intoxication, has been received and your action is approved.

Respectfully,

R. O. Bostwick

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 19, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

In compliance with your request of the 15th instant, I have this day recommended to the Secretary of the Treasury that the Civil Service Commission be requested to issue the necessary certificate for the transfer of Mrs. K. D. Kennedy, an adjuster in the U. S. Mint at San Francisco, Cal., to your Mint.

The Coiner's nomination in writing should have accompanied your letter of appointment. All appointments to be made in the Melter & Refiner's, Coiner's and Assay Departments should be through written recommendation.

Mrs. Kennedy should forward her resignation to San Francisco, Cal., to take effect August 14, 1905, as she is still borne on the register of that Institution.

Respectfully,

A. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 28, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith find bill from the Providence Engineering Works, in amount $204. for services of their erecting engineer, up to and including July 31. The agreement made with the Providence Engineering Works was that the services should begin and continue on and after June 24. The payment for services will be governed by letter of June 10 herewith enclosed.

You are authorized to pay this bill if it agrees with services rendered as checked by the representative of the machinery department of your institution: payment to be made from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Respectfully,

R. E. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 23, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith find bill from Brown & Sharpe Manufacturing Co., in amount $1,645., for furnishing one No. 13 Universal and Tool grinding machine, with attachments, for your Institution. You are authorized to pay this bill after machine has been pronounced satisfactory by representative of the Machinery Department; payment to be made from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Respectfully,

R. P. Rhinelander

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 28, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith find bill from Brown & Sharpe Manufacturing Co., in amount $1,520.50, for furnishing one special No. 2 grinding machine for your institution. You are authorized to pay this bill after machine has been pronounced satisfactory by representative of machinery department: payment to be made from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Respectfully,

R O Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 23, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Referring to the matter of erecting the balance and scale equipment at your Institution, I have to say that Mr. H. W. Siegfried of the U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, will arrive at your Institution in the near future and will commence work at once. It will be necessary that a small chest of tools be shipped from Philadelphia Mint for the erection of scales &c., and you are authorized to pay express charges on same from Philadelphia to Denver and return, from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver". It is suggested that Mr. Siegfried work under the direction of Mr. Healy who has had the entire selection of balances and scales.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 24, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

In order to allow Mr. Healy to complete work left for him by Mr. Roberts, and that he may be able to leave here at the earliest possible date, the service of Mr. Leizear of your Institution has been secured, and I will thank you to extend his leave for a period of twelve days in order that his work here may be credited to him.

Respectfully,

R O Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 24, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for settlement, a bill of the Penn'a R. R. Co., for transportation of Benno P. Wirth, from Philadelphia, to Denver July 1, 1905, amounting as rendered to $45.25, payable from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Respectfully,

R. E. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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August 25, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 21st instant, enclosing and approving the request of the Melter & Refiner for the transfer of Jacob R. Boyle from the Mint in Philadelphia to the Mint in Denver, to take the position of foreman of the Refinery Melting room, at a compensation of $5.00 per diem has been received.

I find upon examination that Jacob R. Boyle is employed as a melter, schedule "D" in the Refinery of the U. S. Mint, Philadelphia. The position of foreman as well as that of assistant foreman in the Melter & Refiner's Department are in schedule "B". This would preclude the transfer and promotion of Mr. Boyle to that position without examination. His transfer can be made as a melter, and he can afterwards be given a noncompetitive examination to test his fitness for promotion to the position of foreman of the Refinery Melting room.

Respectfully,

R. E. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 26, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Mr. Healy, Engineer in Charge of Equipment, of your Mint, desires to procure an Underwood typewriter, and to dispose of the old Remington that he has on hand. You are authorized to purchase an Underwood, and deposit the amount received for the old Remington as proceeds of sale of old property. The price at which the Underwood typewriters are furnished the Department is $80.

Respectfully,

R. B. Bratton

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 28, 1905.

Mr. F. M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith are traveling expense vouchers of F. E. Healy and R. L. Whitehead, amounting in the aggregate to $118.65 which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver." You can have a duplicate of Mr. Healy's bill made for your files.

Respectfully,

R. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

RG104 E-235 Vol 350

August 30, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 17th instant, in explanation of the promotion and appointment of Charles S. Haines to the position of watchman from that of laborer, you are respectfully informed that the promotion was not in accordance with Civil Service Rules, as it is a violation of the rules to promote a person from an unclassified to a classified position without examination. I will request that the Civil Service Commission to approve the temporary appointment of Charles S. Haines as watchman, pending the establishment of an eligible register from which appointment can be made.

Respectfully,

R. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 30, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 25th instant requesting a copy of analysis of sample of water from your artesian well has been received and I regret to inform you that no determination of this water has been made. The Assayer now states that the water has been on hand so long that an analysis at this time would be far from satisfactory. I would suggest that you have the Assayer of your Institution make an analysis of the same.

Respectfully,

A. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 1, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I transmit herewith certificates numbered 7277, 7278, 7279, 7280, 7281, 7282, 7283, 7284, 7285 and 7286 of the Civil Service Commission, of persons eligible for appointment to the positions of Engineers, firemen, lead burner, and adjuster of scales, at your Institution. I also forward the examination papers of the parties whose names have been certified, under separate cover. When you have made your selections, you will please return the certificates and examination papers to this Bureau. It is desirable that these papers should be returned as early as practicable.

Respectfully,

A. B. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 6, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 28th ultimo, relative to Mr. Wirth, you are respectfully informed that the Civil Service Commission will be requested to hold a noncompetitive examination to test the fitness of Mr. Wirth for appointment as foreman of the Refinery of your Mint.

Respectfully,

R. E. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 6, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

In compliance with the request contained in your letter of the 1st instant, you are authorized to retain the services of Alexander Stocker as temporary carpenter to assist in work of equipping laboratories, etc., until an eligible list of eligibles is established, from which a permanent appointment may be made.

Respectfully,

A. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 6, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

You will please prepare and forward as early as practicable, estimates of the appropriations that will be required for the support of your Institution during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1907.

It is the desire of this Bureau to transmit the estimates required for the support of the Mint Service to the Secretary of the Treasury for the fiscal year 1907, not later than the first of October.

Respectfully,

R. E. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 6, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

You are authorized to pay from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver," the following bills for drayage of machinery destined to Mint at Denver, enclosed herewith:

W. J. Crawford	$ 0.35
D. K. Benedick	50.31
	50.66

Respectfully,

R. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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September 11, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your attention is invited to the condition of the two enclosed envelopes, in which your expense accounts for the Month of August were forwarded. A new supply of strong manila envelopes was sent you some time since and should be used instead of those like sample enclosed herewith.

Respectfully,

A. B. Roston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8807.
May 9 04 500.—8 x 10½.

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APPROVAL OF REQUISITION FOR FUNDS.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., September 11, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the month of September, 1905, has been approved for the sum of $9,000.00, payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your Mint during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	, 1906 ,	$3,000.00
Wages of Workmen,	, 1906 ,	4,500.00
Contingent Expenses,	, 1906 ,	1,500.00
	, 190 ,	
	, 190 ,	

Respectfully,

R B Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

E.W.B.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington, September 13, 1905.

Frank M. Downer

Superintendent Mint

Denver, Colorado.

Clarke due to arrive in Denver today.

R. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

Freight, telegrams etc.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

STOCK FORM 1758 B.
DIV. P. AND S.

2—4958

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Sept. 15, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

You are authorized to pay from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver," the enclosed bill of Henry W. Seigfried, amounting as rendered to $37.30, traveling expenses from Philadelphia to Denver, and expenses in Denver, August 30, to September 8th, 1905, inclusive.

Respectfully,

R. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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Sept.16,1905

Superintendent,U.S.Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I am in receipt of a letter from H. H. Leizear of your Mint requesting that his leave of absence be extended for fifteen days without pay, on account of the illness of his wife. Under the circumstances there is no objection to granting his request.

Respectfully,

R B Roston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 16,1905

Superintendent, U.S.Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

The agent of the General Fire Proofing Company of Youngstown, is in receipt of a letter from his Company stating that they had received a telegram from you reading as follows:

"Hold up work until notified upon bookkeeper's standing desk for the Denver Mint."

They state that as yet they have received no explanation and desire to be informed as to the cause of your telegram. Please advise them and forward copy of your reply to this office.

Respectfully,

A. B. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Sept. 19, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I transmit herewith for payment from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver", if the same is found to be correct upon examination, the accounts of Alfred Box Co., for final payment of 80% due on contract price for furnishing an electric crane and run-away, amounting to $1,069.50, and for furnishing and installing an extra special four pole circuit breaker, including wiring, amounting to $88.

Respectfully,

A. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Sept. 19, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 7th instant, enclosing a communication from the Melter & Refiner requesting the transfer of Mr. J. M. Hetrich from the Mint at Carson, to the position of foreman of the make-up room in your institution, you are respectfully informed that Mr. Hetrich is not eligible for transfer, as the position he occupies, that of Assistant Assayer in the mint at Carson, is an excepted one, while the position of foreman of the make-up room, to which you desire to appoint him would be embraced in the classified service. No appointment could be made to the same except upon certificate of the Civil Service Commission. I would call your attention to the schedule of positions as provided on pages 5 and 6 of the "Regulations Governing Appointments, Promotions, and Transfers in the Mints and Assay Offices of the United States", and also to the list of excepted positions to be found on page 15 of the same.

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I would be very glad if it were practicable to arrange for the transfer of Mr. Hetrich to your Mint, as he is a man of very decided ability.

Respectfully,

A. P. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Sept. 20, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for settlement a bill of the Pa. R. R. Co., for transportation of Henry Seigfried from Philadelphia to Denver and return in July 1905, amounting to $62.55 payable from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Respectfully,

R. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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Sept. 20, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for settlement, a bill of the Pullman Company for transportation of Benno P. Wirth, from Philadelphia to Denver, July 3, 1905, amounting to $11.00 payable from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Duplicate bill herewith.

Respectfully,

A. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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Sept. 20, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for settlement, a bill of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy R. R. Co., for freight on stationery, copy and wrapping paper and copy presses shipped from Washington to Denver - May 19 & 23, 1905, amounting as rendered to $44.40, payable from the appropriation for "Contingent Expenses, Mint at Denver, 1905."

Duplicate bill and bills of lading herewith.

Respectfully,

R. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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Sept. 20, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

, Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for settlement, a bill of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy R. R. Co., for freight on one case of envelopes, from Richmond, Va., to Denver, Colorado, in May 1905, amounting to $7.62, payable from the appropriation for "Contingent Expenses, Mint at Denver, 1905."

Duplicate bill and bill of lading herewith.

Respectfully,

R. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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Sept. 20, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for settlement a bill of the Union Pacific R. R. Co., amounting to $119.20 freight on 21982 (rated as 24,000) lbs. machinery from St. louis to Denver in December 1904, payable from the appropriation for "New Machinery Mint at Denver."

Duplicate bill and bill of lading herewith.

Respectfully,

R. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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September 21, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I return herewith voucher #23 of your August 1905 Contingent Account, bill of the Northern Coal and Coke Co., amounting to $406.28. If this purchase was made on contract, kindly forward same for file in the Department. If the purchase was an exigency, state price per ton, and also an itemized statement of deliveries, as in voucher #14, same account.

Respectfully,

R. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., Sept. 21, 1905

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your Salaries, Wages, Contingent & Refinery Expense accounts for the month -------- ending August 31, 1905, ,-190- , with my approval. See letter of today.

Respectfully,

R. E. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., Sept. 21, 190

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your new machinery ---------- ----------Expense accounts for the month -------- ending August 31,-------, 1905 , with my approval except as shown by letter of today.

Respectfully,

A. B. Roston

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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Sept. 22, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have this day requested that the sum of $35,000. be advanced you from the appropriation for "New Machinery" and placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer at New York. From your letter of the 18th instant, it appears that you had in the Colorado National Bank, on account of this appropriation, the sum of $9,565.89. It was thought that this would probably be sufficient to meet the payment of Denver parties during the current month. I would be pleased to have you, hereafter, make requisition for such sums, monthly, to be advanced from this appropriation as you may deem advisable, specifying the amounts you desire to have placed to your credit at New York and at Denver, respectively.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Sept. 22, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Voucher #25 of your August 1905 New Machinery account is a bill of the Providence Engineering Works, dated July 31, 1905 as follows: "Services of H. L. Brown, erecting engineer at Denver Mint, to and including July 31,-34 days @ $6.00 per diem $204.00.

This bill is checked by G. M. Hill and certified as follows: "To begin on and after June 24th". H.

The number of working days June 24 to July 31 inclusive = 32. The difference - $12.00 - has been recommended for suspension, pending explanation.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Sept. 22, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Upon comparison of ypur statements of deposits Form Nos.60 & 61, for the fiscal year 1905, with your bullion accounts for the same period, I find the following difference:

Form 61.	Gold, -----	1,193,292.213	st. ozs.	
Bullion account,	" -----	1,193,292.209	"	"
		.004	difference.	

Form 61.	Silver, ---	101,115.02	st. ozs.	
Bullion account	" ---	101,115.03	"	"
		.01	"	" difference.

The statements should agree with the accounts and to make the records in this Bureau correct, you are requested to forward amended statements for the fiscal year, as well as monthly statements in which the errors may appear.

The value of the gold ($22,200,785.35) is correct.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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September 25,1905

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent,U.S.Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 22nd instant enclosing several communications from the Coiner making requisition for necessary parts of his equipment, all of which will receive attention. The most important of these is the annealing furnaces which were included in the general contract for furnaces made by the Rockwell Engineering Company. I am not advised what progress this Company is making in the construction of these furnaces. I had supposed that Mr. Healy was in touch with them on this subject and informed as to the state of the work.

I also note your letter of the 22rd relative to a transfer of uncurrent fractional silver to your institution and have already requested the Treasurer to hold any accumulations of such coin that may be made at the Saint Louis and Chicago Sub-treasuries for the purpose of complying with your request.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Sept. 25, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

In compliance with the request contained in your letter of the 21st instant, you are authorized to purchase, on the best terms obtainable, a carpet and two desk rugs for the Coiner's office.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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September 27,1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent,U.S.Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I regret to say that in the matter of a transfer of Mr. J. M. Hetrick from the Carson Mint we have bumped up against the fact that Mr. Hetrick is not in the classified service and hence not eligible for transfer to the classified position. He is the Assistant Assayer at Carson, which is an excepted place. Prior to his appointment to that position he was out of the service for a number of years during which time the Mint service was classified. The Civil Service Commission rules that he is not eligible for transfer. It will be necessary for us to consider some other person for the work to which he was to be assigned.

In the matter of William G. Campbell, it will be necessary to reduce him to the position and pay of an unclassified laborer. When I authorized his promotion upon your recommendation I was under the impression that he was in the classified service. It is impracticable to appoint him as even Foreman of Laborers for that position is in Schedule "D". I see no way but to treat Mr. Campbell as an ordinary laborer.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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September 28, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I return herewith, for payment by you, the accounts of Henry W. Siegfried and Frederick E. Healy, amounting, respectively, to $55.20 and $22.55, from the appropriation "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Respectfully

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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September 28, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintnedent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 25th instant, enclosing the bill of the Weicker-Cliff T. & S. Company for hauling porcelain and crockery ware from the depot to the U. S. Mint building, has been received. I find upon examination that Bertuch & Co.'s bid was to deliver these goods at the railway station at Denver, and did not provide for the delivery of the goods at the Mint building. You are authorized to pay the same from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington, September 30, 1905.

To Superintendent Mint,
Denver Colorado.

From and after second proximo until otherwise instructed you are authorized to pay for silver contained in goldeposits at the rate of fifty-four cents per ounce standard.

R. S. Robertson

Acting Director.

Freight, telegrams etc.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

STOCK FORM 1752 B.
DIV. P. AND S.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington, October 2, 1905.

TO Superintendent Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

You will obtain proposals for construction of partition in Adjusting Room to create room for refinery melting and report to this Bureau by wire.

Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS. Freight, telegrams etc.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

2—1258

STOCK FORM 1758-S.
DIV. P. AND S.

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October 2, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I forward you by today's mail, copy of blue print received from the General Fireproofing Company, Youngstown, Ohio, submitting plans of change in desk recently requested by you. The Company desire that the working plans of this desk be approved and forwarded direct to them at Youngstown, Ohio. You will please comply with the request.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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October 3, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for settlement, a bill of the Denver & Rio Grande R. R. Co., freight on 41 pieces of machinery from St. Louis to Denver, in December 1904, amounting as rendered to $166.44 payable from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Duplicate bill and bill of lading herewith.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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October 2, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith is a bill of William J. Crawford, amounting to $3.15, drayage, in August, 1905, on machinery destined to your institution, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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October 3, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 30th ultimo, enclosing certain proposals of Frederick Bertuch & Co., incident to the equipment of the Melter & Refiner's Department of your institution, has been received, and you are authorized to contract with Frederick Bertuch & Co., to furnish the porcelain rods desired.

The proposals of Bertuch & Co., enclosed by you, are returned herewith.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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October 3, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I enclose herewith the account of the Rockwell Engineering Company, receipted in triplicate, for the sum of $10,000. on account of furnace equipment of your Mint, the contract calling for a total payment of $30,170.00.

Upon receipt of the materials enumerated in the letter of the Rockwell Engineering Co., attached to the account enclosed, you are authorized to pay the sum of $10,000. on account.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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October 5, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of September 27th, in regard to the difference in weight of bullion reported on your statement of deposits, Form #60, as compared with your bullion accounts, I find upon further examinations that the items reported on your statement agree with the accounts. However, I have increased your silver jeweller's bars .01 st. oz., for month, and fiscal year ended June 30, 1905, to accomplish this end.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

A.A.H.

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October 5, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I transmit herewith for your information and file, duplicate contract made and bond given by the Standard Electric Time Co., for furnishing, and installing in place Electric Time Clock, Watchman's Time Detector and Fire Alarm Systems, in the U. S. Mint at Denver, Colorado.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE,
Form No. 8812,
Ed. July 19 01 1,000.—8,x(10¾).

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NOTICE OF INDORSEMENT AND RETURN OF CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., Oct. 5, 1905, ~~190~~.

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 30th ultimo, Certificate of Deposit No. 2025 issued by the Colorado National Bank for $ 7,806.73, being on account of Parting and Refining Charges, has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.

personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury, "to the credit of appropriation for Parting and Refining Bullion".

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

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FORM No. 8812.
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NOTICE OF INDORSEMENT AND RETURN OF CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., Oct. 5, 1905, ~~190~~.

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 30th ultimo, Certificate of Deposit No. 2026 issued by the Colorado National Bank for $ 672.33, being on account of Alloy Charges, has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.

personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury, as a miscellaneous receipt.

Respectfully,

Leo Ebeling

Director of the Mint.

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Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE,
FORM No. 8812.
Ed. July 19 04 1,000.—8,x10½.

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Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., Oct. 5, 1905, ~~190~~.

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 30th ultimo, Certificate of Deposit No. 2027 issued by the Colorado National Bank for $ 459.76, being on account of Deposit Melting Recm sweeps, has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.

personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury, as a miscellaneous receipt.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

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Form No. 8812.
Ed. July 19 01 1,000.—8,x110½.

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NOTICE OF INDORSEMENT AND RETURN OF CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., Oct. 5, 1905, ~~190~~.

Sir:

In accordance with the information contained in your letter of the 30th ultimo, Certificate of Deposit No. 202 issued by the Colorado National Bank for $ 4.00, being on account of Special ~~assays~~, has been received from the Secretary of the Treasury, properly indorsed and returned to his office.

No personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts and the amount covered into the Treasury, as a miscellaneous receipt.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington, October 6, 1905.

Superintendent Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

You are authorized to accept proposals for partition and door, Refinery melting room, and concrete floor, as recommended in your telegram.

Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS. Freight, telegrams etc.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

STOCK FORM 1758 B. DIV. P. AND S.

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October 6, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Denver, Colo.

Sir:-

I return herewith Form #232 for September, 1905 in order to have you fill in the amount of gold and silver bullion in the hands of the different officers, and please state whether your coin is a credit of lawful money (where located), or coin actually in your own possession.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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October 6,1905

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I return herewith the voucher of William H. Robinson, enclosed in your letter of the 2nd instant, for Pullman accommodations and subsistence expenses, from New Orleans to Denver. When parties go to Denver to take positions which they have sought we do not recognize any obligation on the government to pay their subsistence or even transportation en route. In Mr. Robinson's case a railway ticket was supplied and I was not personally aware that more had been done in any case.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

(Enclosure)

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October 9, 1905

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 5th instant requesting authority to purchase a large rug to cover a portion of the floor in the Cashier's room is received. You are authorized to purchase the rug named from the Denver Dry Goods Company for $32.50, the lowest bid received.

For the other rugs for the various offices which you ask permission to purchase, you will obtain proposals and submit the same to this office with your recommendation for approval.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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October 10,1905

Frank M. Downer Esq.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I enclose herewith the account of Henry W. Siegfried for expenses from September 23rd to October 26th amounting to $54.35, which upon examination having been found correct, you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for "New Machinery." In this connection I will thank you to inform me on receipt hereof, how long Mr. Siegfried's services will be required at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

(Enclosure)

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

ERE WRITTEN:

Washington September 11,1905

Superintendent,U.S.Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Permit Providence Engineering Company to photograph equipment installed by them.

Geo E Roberts

Director,Mint,

AL BUSINESS,
OVERNMENT RATES,
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

Freight, Telegs, etc,

2—4258

STOCK FORM 1756 E.
DIV. P. AND S.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITE HERE WRITTEN:

Washington, October 11,1905

TO

Superintendent, U.S.Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Will forward copy of contract with Providence Engineering Works.

Geo E Roberts

Director,Mint.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS,
GOVERNMENT RATES.

Freight, Telegs. etc.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

STOCK FORM 1755 B.
DIV. P. AND S.

2—1255

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October 11,1905

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I transmit herewith for payment from the appropriation for "new Machinery" your mint, the account of Robert Clark for traveling expenses, amounting to $72.80. Upon receipt of the account you will please transmit Mr. Clark check on New York for the amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

(Enclosure)

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Form No. 8807.
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APPROVAL OF REQUISITION FOR FUNDS.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., October 11, 1905

Frank M. Downer Esq.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the month of October, 1905----------, has been approved for the sum of $ 11,000.----------, payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your Mint during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	, 1906 ,	$ 3,500.
Wages of Workmen,	, 1906 ,	5,500.
Contingent Expenses,	, 1906 ,	2,000.
	, 190 ,	
	, 190 ,	

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

FWB.

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October 11,1905

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 7th instant requesting authority to expend an amount not to exceed eleven hundred dollars ($1,100) for painting and enameling the engine room, traveling crane, crane runway, ceiling fixtures, motor generator set, etc, has been received.

From your statement it appears this is necessary for the satisfactory completion of the work in question and you are authorized to incur the expenditure. If it is feasible to have this work done by contract proposals should be invited and the lowest bid accepted, provided you are satisfied the bidder will do the work in an acceptable manner.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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October 12,1905

Frank M. Downer Esq.,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Mr. Robert Clark of the Philadelphia Mint informs me that he has sent you a list of the equipment for the coining department which he consideres necessary and which has not as yet been ordered. As soon as you have determined what, if any, of it, you can make there I will order the remainder made at Philadelphia. Please advise me promptly.

Mr. Clark indicates to me that he thinks matters will have to move more rapidly than heretofore if coinage operations are to begin by January first. He also suggests that the following equipment will be needed for the melting room. Will you please see whether it has been provided for or can be made in your institution:

Cast iron top,ingot table.
2 wooden frames, ingot table.
Pouring pan.
2 wooden stands for pouring pans.
2 copper tanks, 2'6" long, 2'0"wide, 9½"deep,for cooling ingots; 2 extra sheets of copper for bottom.
2 wooden stands for copper tanks.
2 lead lined tubs for acid, dimensions at top inside lead lining 21"x23½", 17"deep; extra sheet of lead for bottom.
2 wooden stands for tubs.
6 steel stirrers.
1 topping machine.

Please give me an immediate reply that these orders may be placed. Mr. Clarke tells me that he thinks a separate settling well has

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not been provided for each department. My impression was that it had been. Of course it should be. The sweeps of each department must be kept entirely separate. Please let me know about it.

Very truly yours,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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October 12,1905

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I transmit herewith copy of contract of Providence Engineering Works for installation of electric power plant in the Mint of the United States at Denver, Colorado. This contract was prepared in the office of the Superwising Architect. In reply to a telegram, Mr. Healy wires that he has copies of the specifications. You will have him furnish you with a copy and file the same with copy of contract herewith.

The Providence Engineering Company, as I interpret the contract, must supply any labor specially required for the test. I doubt the feasibility of taking account of the coal specially used in the test and do not think it necessary to do so, in view of the time we have taken to complete the payment.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Form No. 102.
Ed. 1 9 1902 1,000. -8 8 1904.

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RECEIPT OF ACCOUNTS.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,
Washington, D. C., October 16, 1905.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Bullion Account, Abstracts and Vouchers, for the Quarter ending Sept. 30, 1905.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington, October 16, 1905.

Superintendent Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Assay Office Helena has four foot beam balance that it is desired to exchange for a three foot beam balance. Would the exchange be satisfactory to you.

Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.

Freight, telegrams etc.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

2—4258

STOCK FORM 1768 B.
DIV. P. AND S.

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October 16, 1905

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Please advise me whether your force of engineers for regular operations is now complete.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT

Washington, D. C., Oct. 19, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your Mew Machinery expense ----------accounts for the month ------- ending September 30, --, 1905 , with my approval

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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October 19,1905

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

With your accounts for the month of September there is an invoice of sheet lead and lead pipe, purchased from the Denver Fire Clay Company, aggregating $2,266.81. It is against the rules of the Department to make purchases of such importance as this without inviting bids from more than one party and submitting them to the Department for approval. Doubtless you informed yourself as to the reasonableness of the price in this instant but there is no record to show that any effort to secure the lowest market price was made. I incline to the opinion that such purchases as this of commodities which vary more or less in value throughout the year may be purchased to better advantage upon particular contracts or for short terms than upon a yearly contract. I would be glad to have you make some inquiries upon this point and report to this office. No contracts having yet been made for the current year's supplies, I suggest that you proceed to invite bids for all the important articles and prepare to enter into contract for them.

Please write a letter setting forth the facts as to these purchases from the Denver Fire Clay Company.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT

Washington, D. C., Oct. 20, 1905

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your Salaries, Wages, Contingent and Refinery Expense accounts for the month ---------- ending September 30----, 1905 , with my approval, except as shown by letter of today.

Respectfully,

R. B. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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October 20, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

A disallowance of $1.49 has been recommended in your Contingent Expense account for September 1905, being a part of voucher #25, the amount paid for telegrams to the Director of the Mint, under dates of August 4 and 5, 1905. These telegrams relate to the production of gold and silver, and cannot properly be paid for from this appropriation.

In order that your contingent appropriation may be reimbursed, the Auditor has been requested to have an account stated in your favor for $1.49, to be carried by warrant to the debit of the appropriation for "Contingent Expenses, Office of the Director of the Mint, 1906, (Mining Statistics)" and by counter warrant to the credit of the appropriation for "Contingent Expenses, Mint at Denver, 1906."

You carry your balance on account of Salaries, Sept. 30, 1905, as $2,937.50, which is evidently a clerical error, the correct balance being $2,237.50

Respectfully,

A. A. Ormsby

Acting Director of the Mint.

F. W.B.

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October 20, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:-

I enclose herewith a copy of Form #10, used by the Assay Offices for rendering their Bullion Accounts, and refer you to the "Account Current", which supplants the old "Summary of Operations" and is used by all the Mints and Assay Offices.

In examining your Bullion Accounts I find that you have not used this new account, but have used the old "Summary of Operations".

I will thank you to make an "account current" of your September quarter's business, (on paper similar to that used in your book of accounts), to accompany your accounts to the Auditor for Treasury Department for final examination and settlement. In future use this Form instead of the "Summary" which you formerly used.

Respectfully,

R. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 20, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado,

Sir:

You are hereby authorized and requested to ship, as early as practicable, after the receipt hereof, a new 3 ft. beam balance manufactured for your mint by Henry Troemner, to the U. S. Assay Office at Helena, Montana, the shipment to be made through the quartermaster's department. The Assayer in Charge at Helena has been instructed to ship you the new four foot balance, manufactured by Troemner, in exchange for the balance you ship to that institution.

Respectfully,

R. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 21,1905

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I am in receipt of your communication of the 17th instant enclosing five communications from the Coiner making request for various items of equipment and supplies for his department. All of these requisitions have been transmitted to the Mint at Philadelphia with instructions that the articles specified shall be constructed and shipped as early as practicable.

In this connection I note that the suggestions made by Mr. Clark as to the equipment for the Whitening Room have not been followed, the articles specified by him being ordered in part only. The selections and omissions show that Mr. Healy is not fully familiar with the present system in use in the Whitening Room at Philadelphia. He has ordered some articles and rejected others which are used together and cannot be used without each other. The Whitening room at Philadelphia has been reorganized and refitted in the last two years and I doubt if Mr. Healy has kept up with it. The equipment in use there now is very satisfactory to everybody and I think we cannot do better than to duplicate the plan in Denver. In so doing there will be no question about its giving satisfaction from the start. I have, therefore, given orders to have the original equipment planned by Mr. Clark and Mr. Church, constructed and forwarded.

The only exception is the electric crane. I have asked

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Mr. Church to obtain bids for a crane similar to the one used in Philadelphia and will ask you to forward a statement of the bids received in Denver, after which we will decide who shall have the contract. Time of delivery is of course an important element to be considered.

Mr. Clark urges strongly that the original plan of having your strip annealing room on the third floor and the whitening room on the first floor, be reversed and has convinced me of the wisdom of this suggestion. The planchette annealer will not make so much heat as the strip annealers and will be better in a low room on the third floor for that reason. An even more important consideration is in the fact that only one-half as much metal will be taken to the third floor in planchettes as in strips. The planchettes are much more easily handled than the long strips. It is possible that some changes may be required in the piping for oil and drainage purposes but I think the advantages to be gained will warrant the cost. I think on the whole that we had better turn your whitening room equipment over to Mr. Clark and Mr. Church and allow them to plan and complete it. You have a great deal of work to be done to get ready for coinage by January 1st and the resources of your people will be taxed to the utmost. These gentlemen will know exactly what they are doing and it will be a relief to your force to have them assume responsibility for this room.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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October 21, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for settlement, a bill of the Baltimore & Ohio R. R. Co., for transportation of F. E. Healy from Washington to Denver, August 26, 1905, amounting to $44.00, payable from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Duplicate bill herewith.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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October 21, 1905.

Mr. F. M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for settlement a bill of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific R. R. Co., amounting to $31.19 for freight on 2126 lbs. Assay furnaces, tables etc., from Elizabeth, N. J., to Denver, in June 1905, payable from the appropriation for "Contingent Expenses, Mint at Denver, 1905."

Duplicate bill and bill of lading herewith.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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October 21, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for settlement a bill of the Pennsylvania R. R. Co., for transportation of Robert Clarke and Jacob R. Boyle, from Philadelphia to Denver in September, 1905, amounting as rendered to $90.50, payable from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

E.W.B.

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October 21, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for settlement, a bill of the Pullman Company for transportation of Henry W. Seigfried, Robert Clarke and Jacob R. Boyle, from Philadelphia to Denver, in August and September 1905, amounting as rendered to $33.00, payable from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Duplicate bill herewith.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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October 23,1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Denver, Colo.

Sir:-

Enclosed herewith find Certificates of gold deposits Nos. 430, 586, 678 and 1211, returned for the amounts to be inserted therein.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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October 23, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 18th instant, enclosing proposals received by you for twelve Wilton rugs, (36 x 63 inches) has been received. You are authorized as recommended, to accept the proposal of the Denver Dry Goods Co. to furnish the same at $4.95 each. The proposals forwarded by you are returned herewith.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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October 23, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

As recommended in your letter of the 18th instant, you are authorized to cancel the contract with the Hinchman-Renton Fireproofing Co., for cement floor in the new Refinery Melting room and to accept the proposal of the Colorado Roofing and Paving Co., to do this work for the sum of one hundred dollars ($100.).

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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October 24, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 21st instant, enclosing communication from the Melter & Refiner, requesting the construction of a steel storage case, has been received and referred with proposals, to the Supervising Architect who has agreed to have this case constructed without delay, by accepting the proposal of the Diebold Safe and Lock Co.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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October 24, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I transmit herewith the account of the Waterbury Farrel Foundry and Machine Co., receipted in duplicate, amounting to $380. for 1 No. 10 sampling press, motor driven, shipped to your mint. Upon the receipt of this press, if found satisfactory, you are authorized to make payment from the appropriation "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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October 24, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir;

I transmit herewith for payment from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver," the account of Henry W. Siegfried, for subsistence expenses from October 7 to 20, amounting to $53.45, duly approved.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Octo.24,1905

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

When I wrote you concerning the appointment of engineers it was in view of the receipt of the enclosed letter. If after writing it and conferring with your Superintendent of Machinery you think it would be practicable to raise Sylvester's rating so as to place him within reach of the eligible list, I will see the Civil Service Commission about it. It depends upon how many names are on the list and whether you will conclude that he would be a desirable man.

If you think it desirable to have him on the list return his letter.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

(Enclosure)

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October 24, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for settlement a bill of the Union Pacific R. R. Co., for transportation of Robert Clarke from Denver to Philadelphia, Sept. 29, 1905, amounting as rendered to $45.50, payable from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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October 25, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I transmit herewith certificate #7320 of the Civil Service Commission, with examination papers, certifying a list of eligibles for appointment to the position of Amalgamator and Crushing Mill Man, in your mint. When you have made a selection, you will please return the certificate amd examination papers to this Bureau.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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October 26, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 20th instant, requesting authority to appoint two laborers from the eligible register and one or two classified workmen, you are authorized to appoint not exceeding four laborers at a compensation of $2.50 per day. Classified workmen can only be appointed for service in the operative departments, and then on the nomination in writing of an operative officer. The laborers appointed can be assigned to perform any duty not of a classified character, while a classified workman can be required to perform any service except of a clerical or technical character.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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October 27, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I enclose herewith bill of Wm. J. Crawford, amounting to $0.35, drayage on bottle shaker, September 14, 1905, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for"New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Respectfully,

For E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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October 28, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 24th instant, enclosing proposals received for furnishing iron castings, in the form of floor plates, for the ingot melting and deposit melting rooms, has been received, and you are authorized to accept the proposal of the Scott Supply and Tool Co., to furnish these castings at the rate of 7¢ per lb.

The proposals forwarded by you are returned herewith.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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October 28, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 21st instant, transmitting request of the Coiner for the transfer of Enos P. Schell, from the U. S. Mint at San Francisco, and his appointment in the Coiner's Department, has been received.

I transmit herewith the certificate of the Civil Service Commission, authorizing his reinstatement and appointment, as Helper in your Institution at a compensation of $3.50 per diem, the appointment being approved to take effect from the date of oath.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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October 30, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I return herewith duplicate voucher #5, Refinery Expense Account for September: bill of the Denver Fire Clay Co., amounting to $2,266.81, for lead. This voucher is for your files as the original bill was forwarded with account.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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October 31, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I transmit herewith blank forms of bonds to be executed by the following named persons employed at your mint:

Robert L. Whitehead, Assistant Melter & Refiner,	$10,000.
Benno P. Wirth, Foreman of Refinery,	10,000.
Ralph C. Webster, Warrant Clerk,	5,000.
Winter F. Bowen, Assistant Assayer,	5,000.
Henry J. Denckla, Bookkeeper,	5,000.
Albert B. McElroy, Assistant Melter,	5,000.
Charles W. Dakin, Assistant Melter,	5,000.
William M. Bush, Assistant Melter,	5,000.
Herbert D. Bartlett, Watchman,	2,000.
Eugene C. Wilson,	2,000.

You will please deliver the bonds to the above named parties with instructions to execute and forward the same for the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, without delay.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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October 31, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith is bill of Robert Clark for traveling expenses from Philadelphia to Washington and return, October 12, 1905, amounting to $8.35, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for New Machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., November 1, 1905.

r. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your institution be increased by a transfer of one million ----------

dollars ($1,000,000.--------) in gold coin------, and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Chicago, Illinois.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8807.
Ed. May 9 04 500.—8 x 10½.

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APPROVAL OF REQUISITION FOR FUNDS.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., November 1, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the month of November----------, 1905, has been approved for the sum of $ 10,000.---------, payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your Mint. during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	, 1906 ,	$ 3,000.
Wages of Workmen,	, 1906 ,	5,000.
Contingent Expenses,	, 1906 ,	2,000.
	, 190 ,	
	, 190 ,	

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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Form No. 1812.

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Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., November 2, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your institution be increased by a transfer of one million ---------- dollars ($ 1,000,000.--------), in lawful money---- and that the same be placed to your credit with the Colorado National Bank and the Denver National Bank, Denver, Colorado.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington, Nov. 3, 1905.

TO

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

You are authorized to accept Flint Lomax Co. bid eight hundred twenty-five dollars for erection of electric jib crane.

Director, Mint.

Freight, Telegs. etc.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

STOCK FORM 1758 B, DIV. P. AND S.

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Form No. 211
Ed. Jan. 17-05—1,000—3 x 10½

EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT. 426

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., Nov. 2, 1905.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your Bullion accounts for the Quarter ending September 30, 1905 ~~190~~, with my approval.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

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November 2, 1903.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 28th ultimo, enclosing copy of letter from the General Fireproofing Co., relating to new arrangement of bookkeeper's standing desk, has been received.

I transmit herewith, for your information, a copy of letter addressed to the General Fireproofing Company this day.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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November 3, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir;

Some two or three years ago there was a large bullion balance shipped to your mint from the Assay Office at Helena Montana. I will thank you to inform me as to the condition of this balance when received by you and its present condition.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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November 3, 1906.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I enclose herewith bill of Henry W. Siegfried, amounting to $37.10, traveling expenses from Denver to Philadelphia and expenses in Denver from October 21 to October 30, 1906, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

F.W.E.

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November 1, 1906.

Mr. F. M. Hamer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:-

I return herewith your abstract sheet of deposits of silver bullion for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1906, in order that you may correct the payments made, as bar payments should show the value of gold and silver contained in each separately.

Your abstract sheets should be totaled at the end of each month, and such silver as has been parted from gold deposits and the amount received in charges and fractions from your silver deposits, should be taken up in an account termed "Silver Bullion purchased for subsidiary coinage", and the same should be reported to this Bureau monthly on form #193 (copy enclosed herewith). This form should also accompany your bullion accounts.

I think it would be advisable to transfer your present balance from "Silver Bullion" account to the new account. You should also open a new account termed "Silver Deposit Bullion" account, for your deposits of silver bullion for bars, balancing the account monthly by carrying the amount of your payments for charges and fractions to your "Silver Bullion purchased for Subsidiary Coinage" account.

It will also be necessary, in the near future, for you to open another silver account, termed "Unpaired Silver Coin for Re-

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coinage", and the transactions in this account must also be reported on on form #107.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington, November 4, 1905.

To Superintendent Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Supervising Architect requests that you forward immediately bids received for cement floor in whitening room, with certified checks.

Geo E Roberts

Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS. Freight, telegrams etc.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

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STOCK FORM 1752 B.
DIV. P. AND S.

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November 4, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

On October 30, 1905, you deposited $5.20 in the Colorado National Bank of Denver, on C/D #2060 to the credit of the appropriation for "Contingent Expenses, Mint at Denver, 1905," being a refund by the General Electric CO. An explanation of this deposit is respectfully requested as it is not understood at the Department. Great care must be exercised in rendering your accounts for settlement. In all cases the original bill must be forwarded, as, in future, no account will be settled on a duplicate voucher, except where the fact is established that the original bill has been destroyed or lost.

Please give the matter your early attention.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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November 6, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 1st instant, requesting index cards, is returned herewith for additional information.

The size of the cards for the Melter & Refiner and Assayer should be stated, as well as the kind of ruling if any, on each kind of card wanted.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

A.A.H.

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November 6, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 1st instant, reporting that on account of his long absence you had dropped Henry H. Leizear from the rolls of your Mint. I would state that Mr. Leizear mailed you his resignation on the 29th ultimo to take effect on the 31st, he having upon the certificate of the Civil Service Commission been transferred from your Mint to the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. You will please correct your records accordingly. Mr. Leizear would have telegraphed you his resignation but was advised to mail it.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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November 6, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 31st ultimo, enclosing proposal received from the Patterson Electric Co., Meriden, Conn., for furnishing and delivering two panel controlling boards to be used in connection with two electrolytic sets that are now installed in the laboratory of the Assay and Refinery departments, has been received.

I return herewith the proposals forwarded by you, and you are authorized to order these two boards at the price stated, namely: $198.00 each, with an extra charge of $1.50 for copper finish on each indicating instrument.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

2 enclosures.

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November 6,1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Suparintendent, U. S. Mint,
Ddnver, Colorado.

Sir:

Replying to yours of the 23rd ultimo relative to the appointment of a Private Secretary I would say that I have no one to recommend for the position. The stenographers here get higher pay than it is necessary to give in that position. If the party to whom you refer, who is in the Reclamation Service and located at Denver, can be had at $1,000 per annum and she is satisfactory, you had better take her.

I note that Grant L. Hudson, Temporary Clerk, and J. H. Crary, Temporary Bank Messenger, were to be retired November 1, but have not been notified of your appointments to fill their places.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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November 8, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I return herewith for correction, pay rolls #65 and 66 of your October 1905 Wages account.

In all cases when additions for overtime or deductions for lost time are made, it is necessary that the time gained or lost with the amounts to be added or deducted, be fully stated on pay roll. In case of overtime a certificate, signed by the Superintendent, stating that the overtime charged was absolutely necessary, must be attached to the roll.

Kindly give this matter your early attention, returning corrected rolls to this Bureau.

Respectfully,

For Director

Director of the Mint.

Enclosures.

F.W.B.

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November 8,1905

Confidential

Frank M. Downer Esq.,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Have any deposits of gold dust been received at your office from Seattle by express this season? If so, please report the names of the depositors, date of receipt, and amount.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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November 10, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I return herewith duplicate vouchers #59 & 62, October 1905 Contingent Account, bills of Daniels& Fisher Stores Co., for $83.53 and Hallock & Howard Lumber Co., for $126.23, respectively.

Kindly forward original bills, as duplicate will not be accepted by the Department.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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440

November 11, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I am in receipt of a letter from the Providence Engineering Co., requesting final payment on account of electric light and power plant furnished your mint.

It is understood that the final tests have been made. If these tests were satisfactory, the Company are entitled to receive the balance ($7,000.) on account of their contract, without delay. I will thank you to report to this Bureau the result of the final tests made.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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November 11,1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Replying to yours of the 7th instant I would say that Mr. Healy has no official relations with the Civil Service Commission. Of course they have to consult with somebody in getting up questions for special examinations and as you know Mr. Healy did have something to do with getting up the questions for people in his department. I presume Mr. Hess conferred with him also about marking the papers but outside of the people for his own department he has had nothing to do. There will be no more examinations for some time.

You will, of course, exercise your discretion so far as the rules allow, in passing upon the names submitted.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., November 13, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your institution be increased by a transfer of one million ---------- dollars ($1,000,000.00------) in gold coin -------and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Chicago, Illinois.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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November 14, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 1st instant, relative to roll grinding machine, you are respectfully informed that I have accepted the proposal of Brown & Sharpe Manufacturing Company, who agree to deliver this machine at your Mint within eight weeks, for the sum of $3,846.00.

I enclose herewith, for your files, the correspondence covering this matter.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

8 enclosures.

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November 14, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Having accepted the offer of the Brown & Sharpe Manufacturing Company to manufacture and deliver a roll grinding machine at your mint for the sum of $3,846.00, of which you have been duly advised, I will thank you to have Mr. Healy prepare, without delay, and forward to this Bureau, from the specifications, a form of contract to be executed by Brown & Sharpe Manufacturing Co., for the manufacture and delivery of this machine.

Respectfully,

Leo E. Palmer

Director of the Mint.

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Nov.14,1905

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado,

Dear Sir:

I am referring to you herewith a letter from the Rockwell Engineering Company asking for authority to dismantle and remove the planchette and strip annealing furnaces shipped to your institution from Saint Louis. It is true that under the contract these furnaces were to go to the contractor. It was an error to make this provision.

I had a call today from a representative of the Company who told me that the furnaces were of practically no value to them, that their wish was simply to get them out ofthe way. I think we should keep them in the mint as a reserve. If there should be any serious trouble in making the oil furnaces work satisfactorily we would then have the gas furnaces to do business with and it would be an easy task to put them in operation with the city gas. I assured the representative of the Rockwell Engineering Company that we would take care of the furnaces and remove them from their way and I write to ask you to see that this is done. If the Company claims hereafter that it has any use for these furnaces or attaches any value to them, our policy should be to get a definite statement of how much they consider them worth and if the figure is not unreasonable, make an allowance and retain the furnaces.

Respectfully, Geo E Roberts
Director of the Mint.

(Enclosure)

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 111.
Ed. Jan. 17-05—1,000—8 x 10½.

EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT.

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Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT

Washington, D. C., Nov. 17, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your Salaries, Wages and Contingent & Refinery expense accounts for the month ---------- ending October 31, 1905, ~~190--~~, with my approval.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
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Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT

Washington, D. C., Nov. 17, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your New machinery -- expense ---------- account~~s~~ for the month --------- ending October 31, 1905, ~~190--~~, with my approval.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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November 17, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I return herewith duplicate voucher #49, New Machinery account for October, 1905, bill of the Providence Engineering Works, for $156.00: services of H. L. Brown, erecting engineer, for the month of September, 1905.

Kindly forward original voucher in lieu of duplicate returned.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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November 17, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I enclose herewith the account of Mr. E. S. Church, for expenses from Philadelphia to New York and return, for conference with American Hard Rubber Co., relative to hard rubber pumps for your institution.

You will please remit to Mr. Church, care of U. S. Mint Philadelphia, Pa., a check on New York for the amount, namely: $8.74.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Enclosure.

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November 17, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 14th instant, stating that check #313, drawn on Denver National Bank, October 27, 1905, for $21,081.14, to the order of the First National Bank, Colorado Springs, had either been lost or miscarried in the mail, has been received. I would state that this check, being in excess of $2,500.00, a duplicate of the same can only be issued by an act of Congress authorizing the same. I would invite your attention to a quotation from the Revised Statutes of the United States, on instructions concerning duplicate checks, enclosed herewith. A supply of these forms was sent you a few days since.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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RUSH!

WHERE WRITTEN:

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

Washington, November 17, 1905.

TO Superintendent Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

What is cause of delay in payment of account of General Fireproofing Company for lockers furnished your mint.

Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES. Freight, telegrams etc.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

2—4258

STOCK FORM 1759 B.
DIV. P. AND S.

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November 18, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 15th instant, enclosing official bond of Ralph C. Webster, warrant clerk, has been received and transmitted to the Secretary of the Treasury.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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November 18, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 14th instant, enclosing official bonds of Albert B. McElroy, Assistant Melter, Winter F. Bowen, Assistant Assayer and Herbert D. Bartlett, Watchman, with signature cards and two receipts for premiums, has been received, and the same have been forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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November 18, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I enclose herewith a copy of circular issued by the Secretary of the Treasury in regard to requisitions for printing and binding, dated the 14th instant, which says: " * * * all requisitions for * * * material to be obtained from the Public Printer made between April 30 amd June 30 of each year shall have written or stamped thereon the fiscal year in which the article or articles requested are needed or desired to be furnished."

A strict compliance with the terms of the circular will be required. This information should be placed on each sample sheet forwarded.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Enclosure.

A.A.H.

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November 18, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I enclose herewith the account of the Stubbs Steel Co., for machinery steel purchased by the Superintendent of Machinery, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, for machinery being built for your Mint, amounting to $71.46, for which amount you will please remit to the Stubbs Steel Company, your check on the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Enclosure.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington, Nov.20,1905.

TO

Frank M. Downer,
U.S.Mint, Denver, Colorado.

You are authorizedto accept bid of Scott Supply and Tool Company three hundred fifty-seven dollars and forty-two cents for tools required for Coining Department.

Geo E Roberts

Director,Mint.

Freight, Telegs. etc.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

2—1258

STOCK FORM 1758 B.
DIV. P. AND S.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington, November 21, 1905.

To Superintendent Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

As Healy drew specifications for motor generator set and switch board, he should make inspection and be held responsible.

Geo E Roberts

Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES. Freight, Telegrams etc.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

2—4258

STOCK FORM 1759 B.
DIV. P. AND S.

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November 21, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 17th instant, transmitting official bonds of Robert L. Whitehead, Benno P. Wirth and Wm. M. Bush, has been received and the same has been forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington, November 22, 1905.

TO Superintendent Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Westinghouse Manufacturing Company report that motor generator sets will be ready for inspection about December fifteenth.

Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
Freight, telegrams etc.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

2—4258

STOCK FORM 1758 B.
DIV. P. AND S.

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November 22, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

In compliance with the request contained in your letter of the 17th instant, I return herewith the correspondence had by you with the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Co., in regard to the inspection and shipment of the motor generator sets and switch board.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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November 22, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I am today in receipt of a letter from the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Co. at Philadelphia, in which they say that the motor generator sets to be inspected at East Pittsburg will be ready for inspection on or about December 15. The switch board which is to be inspected at Philadelphia, will be ready on the 25th of this month.

It is evidently inadvisable for Mr. Healy to come on to inspect these machines until shortly before the motor generator will be ready for him. He can calculate how much time he will need to visit Philadelphia and inspect the switch board before December 15th. If it is practicable to have the switch board inspected and accepted by somebody connected with the Philadelphia Mint, it would be a convenience to the switch board manufacturers to have it done. However, I want no division of responsibility in connection with these machines, and if Mr. Healy objects to having it inspected by anybody but himself, and thinks there is any risk in so doing, the switch board people will have to wait.

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I will have transportation orders for Mr. Healy's trip from Denver and return, forwarded to you.

Very truly yours,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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November 22, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

According to the recommendation contained in your letter of the 18th instant, you are authorized to accept the proposal of the Denver Office of the General Electric Company, to furnish your Mint, for the use of the Refinery, with six carbon arc lamps at a cost of $123.60

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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November 23, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for settlement, a bill of the Pullman Co., amounting to $22. transportation of Henry Siegfried and Robert Clarke, from Denver to Philadelphia, in September and October, 1905, payable from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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November 23, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have approved and referred tothe Auditor for settlement, a bill of the Louisville and Nashville R. R. Co., amounting to $36.50 for transportation of William Robinson, from New Orleans, La., to Denver, September 20, 1905, payable from the appropriation for "Contingent Expenses, Mint at Denver, 1906."

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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November 23, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

You are authorized to pay from the appropriation for "Contingent Expenses, Mint at Denver, 1906," the enclosed bill of D. R. Benedict, amounting to $2.40 for drayage in October, 1905.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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November 23, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for settlement, a bill of the Penna. R. R. Co., amounting to $80.00 for transportation of E. S. Church from Philadelphia to Denver and return, in October, 1905, payable from the appropriation for "Contingent Expenses, Mint at Denver, 1906."

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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November 24, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I transmit herewith for payment from your appropriation for contingent expenses, the account of Mr. Edwin S. Church amounting to $116.43 for expenses from Philadelphia to Denver and return; also the account of Mr. Church for expenses from Philadelphia to Washington and return, amounting to $20.93.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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November 25, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I enclose herewith for delivery to Mr. F. E. Healy, orders directing him to visit Philadelphia, Pa., for the purpose of inspecting switch board and Pittsburg, Pa., for the inspection of motor generator sets. I also enclose orders for railway transportation from Denver to Philadelphia.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

2 enclosures.

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Personal

Nov. 25,1905

Hon. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent,U.S.Mint,
Denver, Colorado,

Dear Sir:

I am sorry to say that as a result of an investigation prompted by a depositor's complaint, the Cashier of the Assay Office at Seattle has been found guilty of a series of peculations from depositors. His operations were upon gold dust deposits which, owing to the press of business, were obliged to be held over night before going to the melting room. He had concealed a small pair of scales in a locked box in the vault and his practice was to take a certain amount of gold dust out and replace it with the same weight of black sand.

This case illustrates again the importance of eternal vigilance by the head of every institution in the service. The Assayer in Charge at Seattle had implicit confidence in his Cashier. He never dreamed that he even required watching. All experience shows that the danger is in exactly this quarter. No burglar has ever yet broken into a Mint or Assay Office and robbed it. The robberies are always from the inside. Where will the next case occur?

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington, November 27, 1905.

TO Superintendent Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Brown & Sharpe Manufacturing Company report that it will take from seven to eight weeks to get delivery of variable speed motor and six weeks on constant speed motor. Which do you wish for grinding machine.

Geo E Roberts

Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Freight, telegrams etc.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

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STOCK FORM 1758 E.
DIV. P. AND S.

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472

November 27, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I am in receipt of a letter from the Providence Engineering Works, requesting the payment of $6,000 on account of the amount due. This would leave a balance of $1,000 to be paid hereafter. I would much prefer to make the final payment of this account, but if, in your judgement, the with-holding of $1,000 will secure the completion of the work yet to be done, the payment of $6,000 of the balance will be made on account.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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November 27, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 23rd instant requesting certain cards for use in the Coiner's Department has been received, and in reply I would state that cards (Form No. 463 and Form No. 392) of the nature referred to were shipped your Mint on February 16 & 27, 1905.

The samples are returned herewith.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

A.A.H.

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November 27, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 21st instant, relative to lost check for $21,081.14 drawn by you to the order of the First National Bank of Colorado Springs, in payment for gold bullion deposited, you are respectfully informed that neither the Department nor this Bureau can initiate any action looking to the passage by Congress of a bill authorizing the issue of a duplicate check.

The parties interested should have their Senators and Representatives in Congress from Colorado, look after the matter and secure the passage of a bill authorizing the issue of a duplicate check.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington, November 29, 1905.

To Superintendent Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Mrs. Schmidts transfer approved. She may qualify December first.

R. B. Ringwalt
Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
Freight, telegrams, etc.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

2—4258

STOCK FORM 1759 E.
DIV. P. AND S.

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November 29, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 25th instant enclosing contract form and terms of the Colorado Telephone Co., for your acceptance to cover telephones in your office has been received, and as recommended you are authorized to contract with the said company for 8 telephones operating through three trunk lines, at the rate, for the entire service, of $20.00 per month, entitling you to 300 calls monthly.

The contract, when signed, should be returned for file in the office of the Auditor for the Treasury.

Respectfully,

A. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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November 28, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 25th instant giving synopsis of proposals to furnish, as per specifications and blue prints, two dumping tables 24' long, each, and one dumping table 10' long, for use in the Refinery, has been received.

As recommended, you are authorized to accept the proposal of the Denver Engineering Works Company to furnish these tables for $154.00.

Respectfully,

A. O. Bristow

Acting Director of the Mint.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington, November 29, 1905.

To Superintendent Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

From and after the first proximo and until further notice you are authorized to pay for silver contained in gold deposits at the rate of fifty-seven cents per ounce standard.

A B Bratton

Acting Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Freight, telegrams etc.
The appropriation from which payment is to be stated on above line.
2—12357
STOCK FORM 1213 A.
DR. P. AND S.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington, November 1, 1905.

To Superintendent Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

You are authorized to purchase graphite crucibles necessary to test furnaces and for future operations at a cost not exceeding four hundred dollars.

R O Preston
Acting Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Freight, telegrams etc.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

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STOCK FORM 1750 B.
DIV. P. AND S.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8807.
Ed. May 9 04 500.—8 x 10½.

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APPROVAL OF REQUISITION FOR FUNDS.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., December 1, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the month of December----------, 1905, has been approved for the sum of $14,000.00--------, payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your institution during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	, 1906 ,	$ 3,000.
Wages of Workmen,	, 1906 ,	3,500.
Contingent Expenses,	, 1906 ,	2,500.
Parting & Refining Bullion	, 190 ,	5,000.
	, 190 ,	

Respectfully,

R. E. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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December 1, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Kindly forward contract or proposal of the Denver Fire Clay Company, dated May 4, 1905, in amount $1,161.21 for furnishing and delivering at the U. S. Mint, Denver, the supplies listed under class "A" for Assay Department, on which 1st payment of $500 was made on October 7, 1905, as shown by voucher #45, new Machinery account for October 1905.

All contracts and proposals should be forwarded for file in the Department.

Respectfully,

R. B. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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December 2, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 29th ultimo, enclosing official bond of Charles W. Dakin and also receipt for premium paid by A. B. McElroy, Assistant Melter, has been received, and the same has been forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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December 4, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

In place of using sealing wax for the purpose of sealing bags containing coins, the Department uses the Porter safety metal seal, for which you will please forward you requisition to this Bureau, so that the seals may be ordered in time to be manufactured for you by the time you commence coinage operations. In this connection I would thank you to inform me whether you have taken any steps for securing the number of coin bags of different sizes, that will be necessary to use, that is, from $100. in silver to $20,000. in gold.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Dec. 4, 1905.

Hon. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

The telegram signed by yourself and Mr. Tarbell, relative to Mr. Baldwin's appointment as Assistant Coiner, also telegram from Mr. Brooks, were duly received. Mr. Brooks has arrived and I have had an interview with him upon the subject. He accepts the conclusion that it is impracticable to carry out the plan he had entertained and has turned his attention elsewhere for relief in his emergency.

Mr. Clark could not be transferred to Denver as Superintendent of Machinery for several reasons. Mr. Clark is not in the classified service and the Superintendent of Machinery is. Mr. Clark is an excellent man in his position. We have none better in the service but he does not have all the qualifications required for a Superintendent of Machinery. He has never had any experience in managing a modern and complicated power plant such as you have in Denver.

The more I consider the subject the more convinced I have been that it would be unwise to attempt to start the coining department without an experienced and capable man at its head. We have grief enough in the mint service when we take every possible precaution. Mr. Tarbell himself could not afford to take the risk of losses which might occur without an experienced assistant who knows all the risks and

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opportunities for theft and where to be on guard.

I have accordingly notified Mr. Baldwin that his appointment stands and that he is expected to report for duty at Denver about the 15th of December. In this connection, however, let me add that Mr. Brooks is anxious that no public announcement that the place has been permanently filled shall be made at present; the reason for this will be apparent to you, to-wit: he hopes to be able to find something else before it is known that this place is filled. Therefore in whatever is said about the position for the present be on your guard to comply with his wishes.

I am leaving tomorrow for Seattle and on my return will stop at Denver and see how you are getting along.

Very truly yours,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Copy.

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December 6, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have requested that the transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, Pa., to that of your Mint of the sum of $5,878.75, payable in 11,232.66 ounces of standard silver. The silver is composed of bars ranging in fineness from 995½ to 998-3/4. The transfer is made to fill the requisition of the Melter & Refiner for 10,000 ounces for making electrolyte and cathodes for silver cells of the Refinery.

Respectfully,

(Signed) R. E. Preston,

Acting Director of the Mint.

P. S. It is possible that the original of this letter may have been sent to San Francisco, by mistake. If you have received it, please return this copy.

R E Preston
Acting Director of the Mint.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington, December 7, 1905.

To Superintendent Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

You are authorized to accept proposal of Dillon Iron Works to furnish two condensers for ~~the~~ furnaces in Refinery and Ingot Melting room for the sum of six hundred and fifty five dollars.

R. E. Preston
Acting Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Freight, telegrams etc.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

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STOCK FORM 1756 S.
DIV. P. AND S.

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December 7, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 28th ultimo, requesting the preparation of official bonds in the penal sum of $5,000. to be executed by certain employees of your mint, I find that you designate William Robinson as foremen of rolling and cutting room. From the records of this Bureau it appears that Mr. Robinson was appointed as a machinist, with the understanding that he was to be appointed foreman of the rolling and cutting room when coining operations were commenced at your institution. Until his appointment as foreman of rolling and cutting room is approved, I could not ask that he be required to give bond as such, but will simply have to request it as machinist, which will hold good.

Respectfully,

A. A. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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December 7, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 4th instant stating that you had forwarded to the Auditor for the Treasury Department on the 27th ultimo a copy of the acceptance of the proposal of the Denver Fire Clay Co., to furnish supplies for the assay department, has been received.

In reply you are respectfully informed that it is the proposal of the Denver Fire Clay Co. the Auditor desires and not a copy of your letter of acceptance. You will please forward the proposals to this Bureau for transmission to the Auditor.

Respectfully,

R. E. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington, December 9, 1905.

To Superintendent Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Offer of copper of shape desired at twenty-one and one half cents per pound delivered free of all charges soon as possible in January. Do you recommend acceptance. Offer holds good until Tuesday.

R B Preston

Acting Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Freight, telegrams etc.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

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STOCK FORM 1758 S.
DIV. P. AND S.

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December 9, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your reference of the proposal of the Adams Bagnall Electric Co., to furnish, and deliver at your Mint"15 - 220 Volt, direct current constant potential, Royal Copper finish, single carbon, long trim, arc lamps equipped with standard glassware as desired and 200 - 1/2" x 12" solid Electra carbons for the above lamps ~~-----------------------~~ $210." As recommended, you are authorized to accept the same.

Respectfully,

R. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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December 9, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for examination and settlement a bill of the Stationery Division, Treasury Department, amounting to $108.17 for stationery shipped your Mint, October 23, 1905, payable from the appropriation for "Contingent Expenses, Mint at Denver, 1906."

Respectfully,

R. E. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.W.B.

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December 9, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 6th instant, enclosing the official bond and signature cards of Henry J. Denckla, has been received and you are respectfully informed that the same has been referred to the Secretary of the Treasury.

Respectfully,

R. E. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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December 9, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I enclose herewith blank form of bond to be executed by Elmer S. Smith, Amalgamator, in your Mint, and I will thank you to deliver the same to be executed and returned to this Bureau as early as practicable.

Respectfully,

R O Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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December 12, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I enclose herewith for your information a copy of a letter received from the Civil Service Commission, enclosing a copy of an Executive Order, approved December 7, 1905, taking the position of assistant assayer out of the excepted class.

Respectfully,

R. O. Preston
Acting Director of the Mint.

2 enclosures.

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December 12, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I enclose herewith blank form of bond to be executed by the following named employees of your institution:

Paul R. Hempel, Jacob R. Boyle, William H. Robinson and Michael J. Quirk.

I will thank you to cause the bonds to be executed by the parties named and returned to this Bureau as early as practicable.

Respectfully,

R. O. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington, December 12, 1905.

To Superintendent Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

List of eligibles for assistant electrician will be mailed you Thursday or Friday by Civil Service Commission

R. S. Ruston
Acting Director.

Freight, telegrams etc.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

STOCK FORM 1758 S.
DIV. P. AND S.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN!

Washington, December 15, 1905.

To Superintendent Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

At request of Brown Sharpe Manufacturing Company have authorized Healy to inspect grinding machine. He wishes check for his salary for half month mailed care of Bureau.

A B Preston
Acting Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
S—1208

STOCK FORM 1758 S.
DIV. P. AND S.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 111.
Ed. Jan. 17-05—1,000—8 x 10½.

EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT.

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Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT

Washington, D. C., Dec. 15, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your Salaries, Wages, Contingent & Refinery Expense accounts for the month---------- ending November 30, 1905, ~~190~~---; with my approval, except as shown by letter of today.

Respectfully,

R O Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

FWB.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 111.
Ed. Jan. 17-05—1,000—8 x 10½.

EXAMINATION AND REFERENCE OF ACCOUNT.

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Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT

Washington, D. C., Dec. 15, 1905

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for the Treasury Department for examination and settlement your New Machinery---Expense----------accounts for the Month---------- ending November 30, 1905 ~~190~~---, with my approval.

Respectfully,

A. B. Bristow

Acting Director of the Mint.

FWB.

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December 15, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

A disallowance of sixty-six cents. ($0.66) has been recommended in your Contingent Expense account for November 1905, being an overpayment in item reading "4, 12" light clamps 13.00 $4.99" ($4.33) in bill of Scott Supply & Tool Company, dated November 2, 1905 and included in voucher #79, above account.

Respectfully,

A O Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

FWB.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington, December 16, 1905.

TO Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Have repeated your message of yesterday to Healy care Brown Sharpe Manufacturing Company, Providence.

R O Preston
Acting Director.

Freight, telegrams etc.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS,
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

STOCK FORM 1788 B.
DIV. P. AND S.

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December 16, 1908.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I return herewith the copy of proposal of the Denver Fire Clay Co., for furnishing platinum ware, enclosed in your letter of the 12th instant.

I would state that the Auditor for the Treasury Department declines to accept a copy of the proposal but insists upon the original of the proposal being transmitted.

Respectfully,

R. P. Bratton

Acting Director of the Mint.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington, December 16, 1905.

TO Superintendent Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Healy wires from Providence switchboard did not pass inspection will reinspect on return trip Finish and leave here Monday Not well and desire sick leave or lenient travel Address Alberene Stone Company New York Tuesday Philadelphia work Wednesday and Thursday.

R. B. Preston

Acting Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

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STOCK FORM 1759 S.
DIV. F. AND S.

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December 19, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I enclose herewith for payment from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver," the account of Henderson & Bro., for hauling machinery from the Mint building, Philadelphia, to the Reading Depot in that City, for shipment to your Mint, amounting to $12.77, and for which sum you will please forward to Henderson & Bro., your check upon the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York, N. Y.

Respectfully,

A. B. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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December 20, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the Auditor for settlement, a bill of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Ry. Co., amounting to $7.68 freight on two cases stationery, 293 lbs., and one bundle of wrapping paper, 150 lbs., from Washington to Denver, in April, 1905, addressed to the "Engineer in Charge, Denver Mint Equipment," payable from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver."

Respectfully,

A. B. Preston
Acting Director of the Mint.

FWB.

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December 21, 1905.

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I enclose herewith a bill of Littlefield & Alvord, amounting to $1.03, drayage during July, August, September & October, 1905, on articles destined to mint at Denver, which you are authorized to pay from the appropriation for "New Machinery, Mint at Denver" transmitting check to above named firm, Washington, D. C.

Respectfully,

R. O. Preston
Acting Director of the Mint.

FWB.

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December 26,1905

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 22nd instant enclosing proposals received for supplying 14,000 coin bags has been received and as recommended, you are authorized to accept the bid of the Schaefer Tent and Awning Company to furnish the same for $579.50. The proposals forwarded by you are returned herewith.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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December 27, 1905

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

It will be necessary, no doubt, to increase the force of your assay department for coinage operations. In doing so I may want to transfer from Seattle, Mr. John B. Wing, who has been a weigher in the assay department of that institution for several years. Mr. Wing is a son of the present Assayer in Charge of that office. As you know the latter tendered his resignation and will go out shortly under conditions which make his retirement unusually painful to him and deeply regretted by myself. It is desirable for the effect upon the public to make a number of changes in the office although they may not be strictly required for the efficiency of the service. The man who is expected to succeed Mr. Wing has expressed his desire that young Wing be transferred to some other institution. One reason given, and I believe the only reason he has is that he would prefer not to have the son of his predecessor among his subordinates. I think it will be better all round to find Mr. Wing a place elsewhere. I have no reason to doubt that he is entirely competent to do the work he has been doing there and to which he would be assigned with you. Of course if he should prove unsatisfactory for any reason he need not be retained. Will you please speak to Mr. Hodgson about this and write me immediately.

Respectfully,

Director of Mint.

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December 27, 1905

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Referring to your request that someone be sent to your institution to open the new set of books required by mintage operations, I find that it is impracticable to have anyone go until after the holidays. Mr. Butler will be sent soon after January first. Meantime you may go on making your entries in the usual way. He can transfer these entries from January first to the new set of books so that the latter will include all transactions from that date.

Very truly yours,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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December 28,1905

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I transmit herewith certificate No. 7343, Civil Service Commission, dated December 22nd, 1905, certifying the names of three persons eligible for appointment to the position of electrician in your mint; also the examination papers. When you have made your selection please return the certificate with the examination papers to this Bureau.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, December 28,1905

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter of the 22nd instant enclosing proposals received with the blue prints for the installation of an electric hoist and filtering platforms in the refinery room of your mint, has been received. It appears that this is not a matter which comes under the supervision of the Supervising Architect. As recommended, you are authorized to accept the proposal of Messrs. Nock & Garside to install an electric hoist and filtering platform in the refinery room for the sum of fourteen hundred and forty-five dollars ($1,445) the same being the lowest bod received.

The bids enclosed by you are returned herewith.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

(Enclosure)

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington, Dec. 29, 1905

TO

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Excuse all employes who can be spared at noon on thirtieth instant.

Geo. E. Roberts

Director, Mint.

Freight, Telegs. etc.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

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STOCK FORM 1753 S.
DIV. P. AND S.

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December 29,1905.

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

When Mrs. Kate E. Kennedy was transferred from the Mint at San Francisco to your institution, it was done with the understanding that she was to be paid her traveling expenses from San Francisco to Denver, Colorado. You will please have Mrs. Kennedy make up her account for the samr and pay the amount from your Contingent expense account, current fiscal year.

I enclose herewith special form of vouchers to be used.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

(enclosures)

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Dec.29,1905.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I am informed by the Treasurer of the United States that he has authorized a transfer of $50,000 in uncurrent silver coin from the Sub-treasury at Saint Louis and $25,000 from the Sub-treasury at Chicago, to your mint for recoinage. Upon receipt of this coin you will please cause the same to be counted and ascertain whether the amount called for by the transfer orders is correct, and report the results of the count to the Treasurer of the United States, also to the officers at Saint Louis and Chicago. If there should be any difference, please forward the counter's tag to the office from which the coin in which the deficiency is found was received. As soon as practicable you will melt the coin and forward to the Treasurer of the United States a memorandum showing the face value of the coin received and what it will produce in new subsidiary silver coin.

Further instructions will be given you as to the manner in which you are to take up the account for this coin in your bullion accounts.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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December 29, 1905

Mr. F. M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

In approving the recommendations made by you dated December 21st, increasing the compensation of certain employes I desire to say that in my judgment no further increases should be considered until it is clear that the appropriation asked for for wages of workmen will cover the needs of your institution for the coming year. The estimates submitted at your request are as follows:

Salaries	338,250.
Wages	150,000.
Contingent expenses	56,000.

These are the sums that will be at our disposal for the operation of the Denver mint for the year beginning July 1, 1906, and the institution must be conducted within these limits. It is always pleasant to grant requests for increased compensations and often difficult to refuse such requests especially when backed up as urgently as they sometimes are by the officials of the Denver Mint. I desire, therefore, to emphasize the fact that we have no unlimited fund to draw upon but must of necessity confine our expenditures to the sums granted by Congress. I have serious misgivings that the schedules of help being prepared in the several departments of your institution will require more money than will be at our disposal and therefore this word of warning is repeated.

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Inasmuch as frequent reference is made to the number of employes and expenditures of the mints at Philadelphia and San Francisco, I will again call your attention to the amount of coinage executed at Philadelphia and San Francisco. In the fiscal year 1904, the coinage at Philadelphia was as follows:

	Number of pieces.	Value.
Gold:	6,479,705	$117,408,142.50
Silver:	27,035,984	7,407,551.00
Minor:	86,856,289	1,762,628.05
Philippine coinage.....	35,535,169	3,277,457.67 pesos.
Other foreign coinage.....	2,750,000	
	San Francisco.	
Gold:	5,675,000	91,213,500.
Silver:	17,475,380	13,415,346. (dollars and pesos.)

The coinage at these institutions has been considerably less during the past fiscal year and will doubtless be further reduced in the future. The coinage at Denver during the first year will probably not greatly exceed $30,000,000 in value and in number of pieces will be very much less than that of the other institutions, as the coinage of fractional silver, nickel and copper, will naturally be greater at Philadelphia. It will be a very bad showing for the Denver mint before Congress if expenditures there are anywhere near as great as they have been at San Francisco and Philadelphia in the past. The figures for expenditures and coinage are always scrutinized by the Committee on Appropriations and I know you all want your institution to stand that scrutiny as well as any of the other mints.

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We shall begin coinage upon silver and start very cautiously. I again urge that the size of the force be held down to the smallest number with which effective operations can be carried on and that the heads of each department be cautioned against efforts to advance salaries or wages until the full measure of your necessary expenditures is had.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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December 30,1905

Superintendent, U.S.Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the Auditor for settlement a bill of the Pennsylvania R. R. Company, amounting to $45.25, transportation of M. J. Quirk, from Philadelphia to Denver, November 1, 1905, payable from the appropriation for "Contingent Expenses, Mint at Denver, 1906."

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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December 30,1905

Superintendent, Mint, U. S.

Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Referred herewith is bill of E. S. Church amounting to $7.33, traveling expenses from Philadelphia to New York and return, December 1,1905 on business connected with machinery equipment of Denver Mint. You are authorized to pay same from the appropriation for New Machinery, Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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RUSH!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

RE WRITTEN:

Washington, December 30,1905

Superintendent, Mint,

Denver, Colorado.

When does Church expect to be home?

Director, Mint.

Freight, Telegs. etc.

L BUSINESS.
ERNMENT RATES.
HARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

2—4258

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

STOCK FORM 1758 B.
DIV. P. AND S.

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December 30, 1905

Mr. Frank M. Downer,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter asking that Mr. Bowen, chief weigher in the coining department at Philadelphia, be detailed for several months to your institution. We have been to so much expense of this kind that I would prefer not to allow this request if we can get along without it. You have in Mr. Shell an old employe of the coining department of the San Francisco mint and I think he must be competent to perform the duties of weigher with such instructions as Mr. Baldwin can give him. If we conclude otherwise I think we had better transfer Mr. Wren of the New Orleans Mint who is an applicant for employment at Denver. Mr. Wren as Mr. Baldwin will tell you is an experienced and competent man. In this connection I note that Mr. Tarbell asks that the pay of the chief weigher be fixed at $1,600 per annum. The pay of Mr. Bowen at Philadelphia is $3.50 per day and Mr. Wren's pay at New Orleans was $3.00 per day. In view of these facts we would not be justified in fixing the pay of the chief weigher at any such figure as that suggested. So also of the pay of the coiner's clerk. The clerical work in the coining department is comparatively simple not so complicated or difficult as that in the Melter & Refiner's department. The only clerk in the coining department at Philadelphia receives $1200 per year. As I have repeatedly urged we cannot take the highest wages ever paid in any institution as a standard for Denver, at least

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while your coinage is comparatively small. There is an obligation and a necessity for all of us to work together to keep down expenditures.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.